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DEATHS

STRANACK.—On May 17, 1940, at Durban, South Africa, MORRIS WILLIAM STRANACK, dearly beloved husband of Lucy M. Stranack. (By cable.) Hongkong papers please copy. -9556

PETTERSSON.—On May 18, 1940, at Shanghai, JAMES AUGUST PETTERSSON, aged 45 years. (Standard Vacuum Company of New York.) The funeral will take place at the Bubbling Well Cemetery today, May 20, 1940, at 5 p.m. All friends are invited to attend. 12730

SJOSTEDT.—On Saturday, May 18, 1940, at his residence, Shanghai, LARS VASTE SJOSTEDT, aged 84 years. Removed to the parlours of the International Funeral Directors, 207 Kiaochow Road. Funeral services (Cremation) will be held at the Bubbling Well chapel tomorrow, Tuesday, May 21, at 4 p.m.

The Committee of the Associated Foreign Charities of Shanghai of Church House, Kiangse Road, is always willing to receive *In Memoriam* donations and make allocations to the Charities in most need. 12221

Latest War News

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Meeting of shareholders will be held at the office of the Company, No. 484 Kiangse Road, Shanghai, on June 12, 1940 at 12 o'clock, noon, to receive the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year 1939, to declare a dividend, to elect a director and auditors and to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

Proxies to be valid must be lodged with the Secretary not less than forty-eight hours before the Meeting.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from May 27 to June 12, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Directors,

R. LOCK,
Secretary.

Shanghai, May 17, 1940. 12717

THE RUBBER TRUST, LTD.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Directors have this day declared an Interim Dividend on account of the year ending September 30, 1940 of Sixty Chinese Dollar cents per share payable on May 29, 1940 to Shareholders on record on that date.

The Exchange Control Authorities in Malaya will only permit remittances twice in each financial year, one for an interim dividend and one for a final dividend. Therefore, this will be the only interim dividend paid on account of the year ending September 30, 1940.

The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from May 20 to May 29, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

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Secretaries and General Managers.

Shanghai, May 14, 1940. 12652

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders will be held at the Company's Offices, 17 The Bund, Shanghai, on Tuesday, June 4, 1940 at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of passing the Accounts, to elect Directors and Auditors and to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

By Order of the Board,

E. I. OWEN,
Secretary,

Shanghai, May 19, 1940. 12736

To-day's Events

MAY

20 S.A.C.S. 1331 Lafayette, Pottery, 5.30
20 S'hai Jewish School Sports, 699 Weihaiwei Road, 2.30
20 Cuban National Day.
20 Lindbergh flew Atlantic (1927)
20 NCDN broadcast 12.45 and 9 p.m. XMHD 760kc. 395m.

Coming Events

MAY

21 Shanghai Y's Men's Club Foreign Trade Tiffin.
21 A.W.C. annual meeting, 4.45
21 U.C.W.G. Jumble Sale, U.C. hall
21 S. M. Orch. Tschaikowsky Festival, Chamber Music with Soloists, Lyc., 9.15
22 "U.S. National Maritime Day"
22 S'hai. Amer. School Assembly Sino-American Trade Programme 11.15 a.m.
22 S'hai Horticultural Soc., Spring Flower Show, Race Club.
22 Sec. ann. Missouri Soc. party. W. Gar. 8
23 Shakespeare Society, For. Y., 9
23 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, Foreign Trade Tiffin, 12.15
23 S'hai Horticultural Soc., Spring Flower Show, Race Club.
23 Cradle Bridge/Mahjongg, S.I.B.C. 3
23 G. Koudinoff's Gala Performance 'Marriage Market', Lt. Opera, Lyc., 8.45
24 Opening of Swimming Bath Club 6 a.m.
24 Am. Chamber of Comm., Am. Univ. Club, Am. Assoc. Univ. Women—Tiffin for students going to U.S, 12-2 p.m.
24 B.W.A. Home and Garden Party, 4
24 Braille Lit. Assn. mtg., library, China Bible House, 58 Hongkong Road, 5.15
24 S.I.E.A. meets Ecole Remi, Dr. Halpern lectures on 'Foundations of Personality,' 5.30
24 American Chamber of Commerce Foreign Trade Dinner, 8
24 S. M. Orch. Tschaikowsky Festival Grand Ballet, Lyc., 9.15
25 'Marriage Market', Lt. Opera, Lyc., 8.45
26 Spring American Tennis Tourn. S'hai Cricket Club.
26 Municipal Orchestra Concert, Lyc. 5.15
26 S. M. Orch. Tschaikowsky Festival Soloists with Symphony, Lyc., 9.15
27 Polish Women's Association Bridge/Mahjongg, Foreign Y., 2.30
28 A.W.C. Picnic, 13
29 S'hai Jewish Sch. Prize dist., 544 Seymour Road, 5 p.m.
30 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
30 S.S.P.C.A. Bridge/Mahjongg tea, Shanghai Race Club, 3
30 Royal Asiatic Society, Lecture.

JUNE

1 A.W.C. garden party, 4.30
2 Prof. B. Zakharoff pupil's 1st. concert, A.W.C., 4
6 Rotary Cl. Mtg., Metropole Hotel, 12.15
8 Prof. B. Zakharoff pupil's 2nd. concert, A.W.C., 4
13 Rotary Cl. Mtg., Metropole Hotel, 12.15
20 Jumble S., Limbless, U.C. Hall, 9.30
20 Rotary Cl. Mtg., Metropole Hotel, 12.15
27 Rotary Cl. Mtg., Metropole Hotel, 12.15

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The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from May 29, to June 4, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

A. R. BURKILL & SONS, LTD.
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Shanghai, May 18, 1940. 12740

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W. J. MOCKETT,
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(Half-yearly Supplement to the China Hong List)

To be published early in July

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Entry forms may be obtained from the Hong List Department, General Office, North China Daily News, 17 The Bund.

THE PUBLISHERS

WEATHER, TIME AND TIDE

Meteorological Reports	May 18 16.00	May 18 21.00	May 19 4.00	May 19 9.00
Barometer inches	29.95	29.97	29.94	29.97
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	—0.03	—0.03	—0.06	—0.06
at 32 F. (" " 12 hrs.)	—0.05	—0.06	—0.01	+0.00
Wind (direction)	WSW	S	SW	SW
" (miles per hour)	7.4	9.3	5.6	4.3
Temperature (Fahr.)	73.°9	64.°2	63.°0	68.°7
Humidity %	47	80	92	75
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	7	8	10	10
Rainfall inches	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report May 18	Mean 1940	24 hrs. variation	67 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	29.98	—0.03	28.84
Temp. Min. 54.°3 Max. 79.°3	66.°8	+2.°6	66.°6
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	14.64	—	13.47

Time and Tide	20/5	21/5	22/5	23/5	24/5	25/5	26/5
Sun rises at Shanghai	4.56	4.55	4.55	4.54	4.54	4.53	4.53
Sun sets at Shanghai	6.46	6.47	6.47	6.48	6.48	6.49	6.50
Moon rises at Shanghai	17.24	18.29	19.31	20.28	21.20	22.07	22.49
Moon sets at Shanghai	3.49	4.37	5.28	6.22	7.17	8.14	9.10
Flood makes Shai. 6 to 18	9.29	10.12	10.48	11.24	11.50	12.32	13.05
Ebb. makes Shai. 6 to 18	14.20	15.00	15.38	16.15	16.50	17.28	6.05
H.W. W'sung Bar 6 to 18	10.44	11.21	12.08	12.55	13.38	14.13	15.05
Ht. above LLW. (feet)	9.95	—	11.55	11.65	11.52	10.72	9.66

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The following times apply to the Head Post Office, Szechuen Road Bridge. Earlier posting at Sub-Offices is needed.

MONDAY, May 20.	Reg.	Ord.
Ninghsien etc.	12.30	13.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
TUESDAY, May 21.		
Ninghsien etc.	*20.00	8.00
Tsingtao and Dairen	8.30	9.00
Amoy Swatow Canton	9.30	10.00
Tinghai and Shenkiamen via Tinghai	10.30	11.00
Ninghsien etc. via Chinhai	12.30	13.00
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* The night before.
X Provisional time—subject to alterations.
Z Parcel mail only.
Next parcel mail for U.S.A., closes on May 22, 1940.

Air Mails

Imperial Airways Service per steamer on May 22, at 6 p.m. for registered and 7 p.m. for ordinary due London on June 5.
Pan American Airways Service per steamer on May 22, at 6 p.m. for registered and at 7 p.m. for ordinary due San Francisco on June 4.
Air France per steamer on May 22, at 6 p.m. for registered and at 7 p.m. for ordinary.
Neth. (K.L.M.) Air Mail Service (Batavia-Naples) per steamer to Hongkong.
Royal Netherlands Indies' Airways K.N.I.L.M. (Saigon-Batavia-Sydney) per steamer to Hongkong.
Shanghai-Japan Air Mail Service daily at 8 p.m.

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Nanking per Shanghai-Nanking Air Line at 12.00 and 10.30 p.m. at Yuhang Road Sub-Office at 11.30 a.m. and 10 p.m.
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Via N.S.R. 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Kiangpei offices north and west of Jukao 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Hangchow 11.30 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
North Pinghan and Lunghai Line (Chenghsien and east thereof) 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Wuhu, Tatung, Hwaining, Kiukiang and Hankow 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Remarks: For Europe via Siberia:—Mails for Europe and U.S.S.R. via Siberia close on every Monday and Thursday at 8 p.m. for registered and on every Tuesday and Friday at 8 a.m. for ordinary and are despatched per trains via Nanking and Tientsin to connect with the Trans-Siberian trains.

Ocean Mails for Europe and America.

Next steamer mails will be closed as follows:—
Per steamer via Pacific, on May 19.
Per steamer via Pacific, on May 22.
Per steamer via Suez, on June 3.

THE WEATHER

Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai 24 hours ending 7 p.m.:—
Yesterday Min. 73.0 Max. 82.0
Same date, 1939 Min. 60.5 Max. 73.0
Rainfall nil.

Temperature at Siccawei:—
Yesterday Min. 60.3 Max. 82.9
Same date, 1939 Min. 61.5 Max. 77.0

State on the morning of the 18th:—High and steady pressure over China: low and rising over Japan. Northerly to easterly winds along the China Coast. Fine weather in the north and in our regions.

State on the morning of the 19th:—Overcast weather. South-westerly wind. High and steady pressure.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Fine weather with sand and fresh variable winds around Shantung. Cloudy but rather fine with south-westerly to south-easterly winds over our regions: north-easterly to south-easterly over the Eastern Sea.—Siccawei Observatory.

Central British War Fund (Shanghai)

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Pow C F	50	M M	200
Cumming C O	500	A J E L	15,000
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Curtis J	25	Rosslyn	100
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Jacobi C W	15	Caddick A V	10
H C R P	35		
A G	180		$713,664

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Hongay S Ltd	1,000	Busch E	25
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Bergglas E	20	Vongehr O E	50
Luedecke H A	10	Kepler A R	200
Albanda A Mlle	10	MaLorn F	5
Nesvadba L	10	Delant K	10
Woo G C	10	Encarnacco J	15
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Maze Sir Frederick	1,000
Total	Fr Frs. 1,500

Brought forward	£ 5
Davidson A L	5
Total	£10

Brought forward Belgian Francs 121,850

Lester Chinese Hospital

C M & C L	$50	Nash E T	40
Aquarius Co	50	I C I L	250
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Blondes v. Brunettes:

The Former Scarcer

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I would like to elucidate the burning question of BUZZ BUZZ, i.e., whether blondes are preferred to brunettes.

I would answer his question by quoting a certain text in a book I have read. History shows that blondes were preferred to brunettes for everyone knows that Helen of Troy who was the cause of the ten-year war between Greece and Troy was a blonde.

Cleopatra, a strawberry blonde, was perhaps the most dangerous type of all, for what she did in the way of setting Julius Caesar, Mark Antony and Octavius by the ears constitutes one of the most important episodes of the ages.

In order to "angelize" paintings artists have decided that only blondes were fit. Wagner, not to be outdone made the villain a pronounced brunette. Even in modern times, cinema producers have picked a red-haired girl as the most beautiful girl in Hollywood.

The real reason why blonde girls still win is because there seems to be a shortage of yellow hair. For as a novelist once said "If prunes were sold at a dollar a piece, our buddies at the boarding house would complain of 'strawberries and cream.'" They might demand some prunes for a change.

So I hope that BUZZ BUZZ would realize that the reason why blondes are preferred to brunettes is because there are more of the latter than the former and if the condition was reversed, then brunettes will be preferred to blondes.

EDUCATED.

Shanghai, May 19.

High Prices:

Reputable Firm's Lead

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I read with interest in today's issue that one firm of repute in Shanghai has, without loss of time, remitted the total 30 per cent. increase on their price list. The lead has been given. It is up to all others to follow suit.

It made the gasolene firms' reduction of 20 cents out of 60 cents look somewhat paltry. We expect something more than that, in fact a great deal more.

AT IT AGAIN.

Shanghai, May 18.

A Case of Rapacity

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—In your comment on May 17, Shanghai you struck the nail on the head in your remark: "Heads I win, tails you lose."

The Chinese caterer of a foreign Christian restaurant in Szechuen Road, who put up the prices of foodstuffs twice within a fortnight this month, gave as his reason for so doing: "Shanghai dollar no use." But when asked to adjust his prices now that this same dollar has improved, the wise profiteer said: "Why should I, when other Nanking Road restaurants do not?"

Cannot the management of this restaurant be induced to do something about it? Is there no law in this city to put a stop to this rapacious practice?

"VAL."

Shanghai, May 18.

Tschaikowsky Festival:

Hint to Season Ticket Holders

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—More than two thirds of the tickets that have been sold for the Tschaikowsky Festival at the Lyceum Theatre next week, have been purchased as season tickets, that is tickets for all three performances.

It is understandable in view of the very heavy cost of production including the ballet, soloists, preparation of the full score, etc., and of the limited capacity of the Lyceum Theatre, that prices for the tickets have had to be fixed at a figure which many will regard as high, and in view of the lateness of the season repeat performances of the festival are not possible.

There are undoubtedly many musicians and students of music who would like to attend the festival, but are prohibited from doing so because of the price of the tickets.

It is earnestly suggested that holders of season tickets for the three performances who may find that they or their friends cannot use their tickets for any individual performance, should rather than let their seats remain empty—send their tickets to the conductor of the orchestra at the Lyceum Theatre for distribution to musicians and students of music who are not in a financial position to purchase tickets for themselves.

L. DE LUCA,
Chairman, Business Sub-Committee, Municipal Orchestra and Band.

Shanghai, May 19.

Girls and Drink:

Babooshka Reminisces

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—The queston as to whether "gals" should or should not take "liker" has been thrashed out in drawing rooms, churches, Moral Welfare depots and the Public Press *ad nauseam* during the past several decades. Like everything else the habit may be abused but to compare it with sniffing "snow" or indulging in other narcotics is grossly incorrect.

Personally I consider there is no sight more unbecoming than a woman under the influence and there are mighty few who can stand more than a couple of wets. But is it any worse today than what it was 45 years ago when old Babooshka went with Mum to the corner pub where Mum as regular as clockwork placed herself outside of several or more quarts without turning a hair? And I think the memory of maudlin, drunken women in an East End pub was as bad if not worse than the sight of a flapper today on the same stunt at a cocktail party in Park Lane!

BABOOSHKA.

Shanghai, May 17.

Market Prices:

A Reader's Scepticism

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—We thank W. J. K. for the interesting account of his rambles around Seymour Road market and the prices he got from the market gentry, in today's issue of the "North-China Daily News."

My mouth began to water but on reading it out to my wife who is, and has to be, a very careful buyer, and an old hand here, and one who knows where the cheap cuts of meat can be snapped up, and is compelled to count every blessed cent, she just laughed and laughed although somewhat cynically.

Now if W. J. K. wants to do a really good turn arrange for a series of bi-weekly kind of Cook's market tours, advertise the time and date so that we poorer classes—the lower herd, can attend—but be sure there are a few riot vans and about 100 policemen there to see that we do get the goods at the price W. J. K. mentions, and keep some kind of order, and may God bless and protect him. He may want it.

PLEASE W. J. K.

Shanghai, May 19.

Soyabean Powder:

A Correction

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Permit us to call your attention to an error in your report of the Twelfth Annual Institute of the Joint Committee of Shanghai Women's Organizations which appeared in your today's (May 17) paper. Preceding the lecture by Dr. H. C. Hou of the Lester Institute for Medical Research, samples of soyabean powder mixture had been distributed to members by us, the China Chemical Works, Ltd., and not by Glycine. Our product is marketed under the name of "Nusoybea," which we have been supplying in recent months to the Shanghai Refugee Children Nutritional Aid Committee in large quantities practically at cost.

We should appreciate it very much if you would kindly make the correction in your paper at your earliest convenience by publishing this letter.

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Shanghai, May 17.

Lesson Sermon

First Church of Christ, Scientist.

Mortals and Immortals:—Is the subject of the Lesson Sermon read in all Churches of Christ Scientist, throughout the world on Sunday, May 19. Golden Text:—I Corinthians 15.53. "This corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality." Among the citations which comprise the Lesson Sermon is the following from The Bible:—I John 22-24. "And whatsoever we ask, we receive of Him, because we keep His commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in His sight. And this is the commandment, That we should believe on the name of His Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as He gave us commandment. And he that keepeth His commandments dwelleth in Him, and He in him. And hereby we know that He abideth in us, by the Spirit which He hath given us."

The Lesson Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures", by Mary Baker Eddy:—"The human thought must free itself from self-imposed materiality and bondage. It should no longer ask of the head, heart or lungs: What are man's prospects for life? Mind is not helpless. Intelligence is not mute before non-intelligence."

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7.50-8.00 Light music
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9.30-11 Concert:

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Wagner: Overture to Faust. Rubinstein: The Demon (Selection). Boito: Mephisto. Wagner: Lohengrin (Selections). Liszt: Mephisto waltz. Wagner: Tannhauser (Selections).

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TO-NIGHT AT

7.30 Broadcast in Russian. Comments on the situation.
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9.15 Broadcast in English. Comments on the situation.

BY SAPAJOU

A Blitz Cheque

Anti-Japanese Moves in Peru Die Down

Compensation to Be Paid For Damage Done

Lima, May 19.

The violent anti-Japanese agitation which flared up last Monday resulting in the looting and plundering of more than 400 Japanese homes and shops, had subsided yesterday and order was being restored throughout the city and its suburbs.

The local press, meanwhile, continued to voice its sympathy for the Japanese populace here.

One paper pointed out that the riots undoubtedly have some connection with the interests of third Powers, and it is probably true that the disturbances were instigated in an effort to discredit the present Government.

The paper stressed the urgent need to tracing the true cause of the disturbances.

Mr. Hitoshi Sato, Japanese Chargé d'Affaires here, was negotiating with the Peruvian Foreign Office with regard to due compensation for those Japanese who suffered damages because of the riots. The Peruvian authorities have been investigating the damages suffered by the Japanese.—Domei.

Germans Detained in Hongkong

Hongkong, May 19.

Several German nationals have been detained at the Central Police headquarters since last Thursday morning when special police visited their homes and took them into custody, it was revealed here.

The Germans detained were those who were subject to certain restrictions on their movements but who have been allowed their freedom following a brief internment at the outbreak of the European conflict.

Well-informed circles here said that these Germans may be asked to leave Hongkong, or be interned again.—Domei.

Muffler Knitted by Duke Of Windsor Displayed

Paris, May 19.

A muffler personally knit by the Duke of Windsor for the soldiers at the front was being exhibited at the Versailles Trianon Exposition of soldiers' welfare relief work yesterday.

Meanwhile, it was announced that the Duchess of Windsor has agreed to accept an invitation to be Godmother to the Strasbourg Regiment.—United Press.

Oil Fields Discovered In Jehol Province

Spouter Indicates Rich Deposit, Say Japanese

Tokyo, May 19.

The belief that rich oil fields have been discovered near Fuhsin, in Jehol province, Manchoukuo, was strengthened today on receipt of messages from Changchun stating that the Manchuria Petroleum Company's first well spouted a column of gas 100 metres high.

Tests taken in this well, according to the reports, revealed that the oil pool is 12 metres deep. The success of this first venture, the messages said, has convinced engineers on the spot that there are many other oil pools in the neighbourhood of well No. 1.

It was indicated in the reports that the Manchuria Petroleum Company shortly will begin to drill wells on a large scale.—Domei.

Russia Ready to Repel Aggressors

Allied Activity in Balkans Being Closely Watched

Moscow, May 19.

General Ivan Boldin, Commander of the Odessa military district, told the Party Congress at Kiev yesterday that the British and French are hostile to the Soviet Union and are endeavouring to spread the war to the Balkans. The Red Army, he said, is fully prepared to repel and crush any invader on his own territory.

"Anglo-French activity in Rumania illustrates their hostility to the Soviet Union," Gen. Boldin said. "Russian troops from the Odessa military district are vigilantly guarding the southern border and won't allow any incursions. But if the enemy compels us to step forward, Odessan troops will rout him on his own territory as the Red Army did in the Far East and the West Ukraine."—United Press.

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American Colony Leaves Istambul

Technicians Being Called In from Interior

Istambul, May 19.

The American colony of about 300, with several women and children, are departing for the United States on the advice of the American Embassy here.

In addition to the permanent community here, a considerable number of technicians work in remote regions, whose numbers cannot be ascertained at present.

Arrangements for their evacuation, however, are understood to have been completed.—Reuter.

Allies Buying New Type Of U.S. Bomber

All Production Ordered For Eighteen Months

Baltimore, May 19.

The Glen Martin Aeroplane Company announced today that specifications for a new type of bombing 'plane had been completed, and that the Anglo-French Purchasing Commission had agreed to take every one turned out in the next 18 months.

It is stated, however, that specified exception on delivery to the Allies would be necessary if the United States Government called for these aircraft.—Reuter.

Swiss Taking Over Reich Affairs in N.E.I.

Berne, May 18.

At the request of the German Government, the Swiss Federal Council today agreed to have its representatives in the Netherlands Indies take care of German interests.—Havas.

Seventy Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS" OF MAY 20, 1870

The "European Mail" says.—a new club is in course of formation in London, to be called the Colonial Club, for noblemen and gentlemen who are, or have been, resident in the Colonies, or who may be directly interested in the welfare of the British Colonial Empire. Considering the present unsatisfactory nature of the relations between our Colonies and the Imperial Government, this scheme comes at an opportune moment, and promises to become a very useful institution. James Dow of Shanghai, Messrs H. H. Harrison and E. Z. Hulme, of Japan, have already joined the committee.

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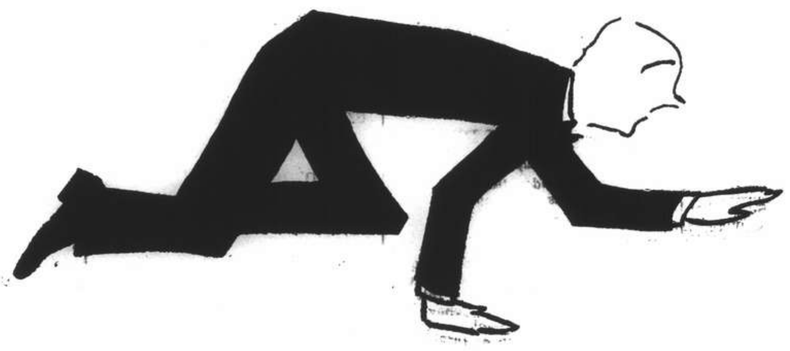

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Current Films

CATHAY.—"The Man Who Wouldn't Talk."—He had no family, no friends, no personal connections, no money, no position and no past, but he was charged with a murder for which there was no conceivable motive for him to commit. The story behind his silence makes a thrilling, suspense-packed film-play. With Lloyd Nolan, Jean Rogers, Richard Clarke, Onslow Stevens and Eric Blore. Reviewed elsewhere.

ROXY.—"The Marx Brothers at the Circus."—The latest and most amusing of the Marx Brothers' screen achievements with Groucho, Harpo and Chico Marx running riot with comedy and dialogue that suits them to perfection.

GRAND.—"Typhoon."—Exotic technicolour tale of a South Sea Island Paradise inhabited by a beautiful maiden and her almost human monkey. Love for an ex-beach-comber, a forest fire and a devastating tidal wave unite their forces to bring the little castaway back to civilization. Starring Dorothy Lamour and Robert Preston, with Lynne Overman and J. Carrol Naish.

NANKING.—"My Little Chickadee."—A double-barrel barrage of hilarious comedy, "whoop-'em-up" action and whimsical romance, set in a wide-open frontier town, with Mae West as a wisecracking Chicago cabaret singer and Fields as a travelling medicine man and card sharper. Starring Mae West and W. C. C. Fields, with Joseph Calleia, Dick Foran and Donald Meek.

METROPOL.—"Elizabeth and Essex."—All the glittering pageantry of the last days of chivalry live again in this tempestuous tale of England's greatest queen and the man who staked his head in a mad fight for love and a throne. In technicolour. With Bette Davis, Errol Flynn, Olivia de Havilland and Donald Crisp.

GOLDEN GATE.—"Roaring Twenties."—Red-blooded, thrill-packed drama of the riotous decade that followed the termination of the Great War, when life was cheap and laws were just obstacles to be ignored or evaded. Starring James Cagney, Priscilla Lane, with Humphrey Bogart, Gladys George, Frank McHugh, Jeffrey Lynn and Paul Kelly.

RIALTO.—"Drums Along the Mohawk."—Technicolour saga of frontier days in the infant American republic when torch and tomahawk spread their terror. With Claudette Colbert, Henry Fonda, Edna May Oliver and Eddie Collins.

CAPITOL.—"Stand Up and Fight."—Trigger-action drama of slave-running in early railway days that develops into a battle of brawn and brain between the two stars, plus red-blooded romance between a Yankee girl and a son of the old South. With Wallace Beery, Robert Taylor, Florence Rice, Helen Broderick and Charles Bickford.

UPTOWN. — "The Flying Deuces." — Starring Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy with Jean Parker and Reginald Gardiner. The screen's greatest comedy team re-united for the biggest laugh show of their careers.

Films Coming

"Invisible Stripes."—A gripping tale of five lives all marked by the stigma that attaches to men who have served a term in jail: taken direct from Warden Lewis E. Lawes' records of Sing Sing. Starring George Raft, Jane Bryan and William Holden, with Humphrey Bogart, Flora Robson, Paul Kelly, Henry O'Neill and and Lee Patrick. Coming to the **GRAND.**

"Blackmail."—Starring the dynamic Edward G. Robinson in a thrilling film of racketeers and oil wells that is said to give him the finest role of his career. The supporting cast comprises Ruth Hussey, Guinn "Big Boy" Williams, John Wray, Arthur Hohl and Esther Dale. Coming to the **ROXY.**

"Accidents Will Happen."—Turning the spotlight on yet another under-world activity, Warner Bros. come through with a thrilling exposé of the fake injury racket whereby insurance companies are robbed of millions of dollars each year. There is also an unusual love romance. With Ronald Reagan, Gloria Blondell, Dick Purcell, Sheila Bromley, Addison Richards and Hugh O'Connell. Coming to the **NANKING.**

"Swan Lake"

Audrey King will be at the Lyceum on Friday evening.

"Remember the Night."—Hard-boiled district attorney with never a lost case runs slap into the spirit of Christmas, bails out a girl he's bent on "railroading" to jail, takes her home to her folks in Indiana and falls in love with her on the way. Starring Barbara Stanwyck and Fred MacMurray, with Beulah Bondi, Elizabeth Patterson, Sterling Holloway, Charles Waldron and Paul Guilfoyle. Coming to the **CATHAY.**

"Gulliver's Travels."—Feature-length technicolour cartoon, telling in humorous fashion the story of Gulliver's adventures among the Lilliputians and the part he took in their battle with Brobdingag. With eight song numbers and a dramatis personae that runs into the thousands Coming to the **METROPOL.**

"Death of a Champion."—Meet Oliver Quade, the human encyclopedia who cannot be fooled about facts. In this punch-packed mystery story, Quade's omniscient brain leads him to the one slender clue that holds together a string of unsolved murders. With Lynne Overman, Virginia Dale, Joseph Allen, jun., Donald O'Connor, Susan Paley and Robert Paige. Coming to the **NANKING.**

Doumer—"Wings of the Navy."—A spectacular description of the working of the aerial branch of the U.S. Navy, interwoven with a drama of the struggle between love and loyalty.

"Broadway Melody of 1940."—The year's outstanding musical comedy with three of Hollywood's leading dance stars—Fred Astaire, Eleanor Powell and George Murphy—in the principal roles. The picture has everything—music, dances and lavish entertainment numbers. Coming soon to the **ROXY.**

"Abe Lincoln in Illinois."—Robert E. Sherwood's moving epic drama of Lincoln's life struggle up to the time he set out for Washington to assume the presidency, with the great actor whose fame is associated with the role playing the part of the Great Emancipator. Starring Raymond Massey, with Gene Lockhart, Ruth Gordon, Mary Howard, Harvey Stephens, Alan Baxter and Dorothy Tree. Coming to the **NANKING.**

"Another Thin Man."—William Powell and Myrna Loy co-starred again in the popular detective series as Nick Charles and Nora, his wife. This is William Powell's first appearance on the screen after a long absence due to his illness. Coming soon to the **ROXY.**

FROM SHANGHAI FOOTLIGHTS AND FILMS

"The Marx Brothers at the Circus"

The three "nuts" of Hollywood, Groucho, Chico and Harpo, are running riot these days at the Roxy Theatre, the venue of a circus—also Kenny Baker and Florence Rice.

"My Little Chickadee"

"La" West and W. C. Fields are running wild at the Nanking Theatre today in smart repartee, some of it bordering on the lines of censorship—Joseph Calleia and Dick Foran.

"The Man Who Wouldn't Talk"

Having to do with the hero charged with a murder for which he had no possible motive, this picture is at the Cathay today. Players include Lloyd Nolan, Jean Rogers and Onslow Stevens.

"Elizabeth and Essex"

Bette Davis and Errol Flynn are co-starred at the Metropol today in this beautiful technicolour version of stormy days in England. Also Olivia de Havilland and Donald Crisp.

To Dine and Dance

ARCADIA.—Russian cuisine. Ermoll's orchestra. Floorshow.

BALALAIKA.—Lilly Flohr and Tallia Balli. Mike's entertainers.

BOLERO.—Night Club. Tafet, Schlittner and Ruff brothers.

BRER FOX.—Night club and restaurant. Dinner and dancing every evening. Alex and his Jam Session. Fox Follies of 1940.

CASANOVA.—Gloria Andico's orchestra.

CATHAY HOTEL LOUNGE.—Morning and afternoon tea and cocktails.

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EVENTAIL.—Night club with floorshow.

FARREN'S.—Mike's Music Masters. The Hartnells.

HONEYMOON.—Cabaret. Roman's Serenaders.

HUNGARIA—Night club. Hungarian cuisine. Hartmann's swing band. Also tiffins.

MASKEE—Night club—dinner. Winners, Barton and Warner.

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ROXY.—Night club.—Jack, Charles and James.

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Three Musicians

At the Roxy, that popular trio, Jack, Charles and James, render that sweet music, which highly is appreciated by all and sundry. Versatile on various instruments, the boys as well are crooners, harmonizing well with their playing. Introducing as they do latest melodies from America as well as the older favourites, the management take pleasure in recommending their efforts.

An Inimitable Pair of Musicians

Teddy and Ferry Guzza, at the piano and drums respectively, entertain nightly at D.D.'s.

Regretted Departure

Sad news is in store for patrons of D.D.'s, when it it learned that Teddy and Ferry Guzza, eighteen months stellar entertainers of the establishment, having terminated their services, will leave on holiday on or about June 1. The boys have worked for three years—in Manila and Shanghai—with only a break of nine days, while en route from the former port to China and, it goes without saying, that they do need a rest. An appreciation of what they have done for Shanghai dance-lovers would be out of place at this time, for they are so well known, that an attempt to extol their merits would seem like so much needless talk. Their engagement with a Los Angeles night club is only a matter of a confirmatory cable.

The management, however, have secured four musicians who, it would seem, are certain of providing the necessary incentives for dancing and entertainment.

Kudinoff's Gala

The Russian Light Opera present "Marriage Market" on Thursday.

Another Surprise

The management of Farren's, as will have been noted from the advertisement columns of yesterday's issue of the "North-China Daily News," have in preparation another innovation, which should take patrons of night clubs by surprise, inasmuch as anything of this nature never has been done before. For the time being "Joe" Farren is keeping details of the matter very quiet. Needless to say, this new departure, however, will supplement and in no way interfere with the sparkling team-work, which the Hartnells are presenting nightly in the ballroom. The show, which they began on Friday night, entirely new in Shanghai, has been roundly received and will continue through Thursday, supported as usual by "Mike" at the baton, and his dance band.

Great Successes

So great has been the success of the "Boomps-a-Daisy" at the Brer Fox, that the management has held the number over for the fifth consecutive week. It must be seen to be appreciated and, in view of the way that patrons have "gone in for it," it might be assumed that its continuation for some weeks more is a certainty. The "Hobby Horse," now ten days at the establishment, seems fair to rival its older contender—there is so much fun and frolic in this Hollywood-imported item that it resembles a one-ring, two-horse circus.

The remainder of the floorshow consists of a jazz "Let Yourself Go," (done in blue and white by the ballet), "South African War Dance" and "When You're Smiling."

"Swan Lake"

All the tickets for the performance of the "Swan Lake" by the Shanghai Municipal Orchestra and Le Ballet Russe, which is to be given during the Tschaikowsky's centenary festival at the Lyceum Theatre on Friday, have been sold.

"Hitler—Beast of Berlin"

To me the most unpleasant and significant figure in "Hitler—Beast of Berlin" is the old Prussian aristocrat in charge of the concentration camp, writes the film critic of the "Sunday Express."

He gave me a despairing feeling that if people like him don't know any better in Germany, what hope is there of dinning any sense into their stubborn heads?

He is a relic of the 1914-18 war, embittered by the belief that Germany was betrayed both at home and at Versailles; a former German Army officer who has become a Hitler disciple of the vilest type.

The scene is Germany, cowed into submission under Hitler. The time: Just before the present war.

A group of friends who still believe in freedom of speech and thought, risk their lives to meet together. There are two young, eager lovers. There is Hans, a young man who won the Iron Cross in the last war. His wife is going to have a baby, and hates the thought that it will be born a Nazi.

There is gentle Father Pommer preaching Christianity in a pagan land. There is a young storm trooper who stays in the party to help his friends and has to help flog and insult them when eventually they come under the suspicion of the Gestapo and are put under "protective arrest."

Senseless, sadistic cruelty runs through the entire film.

The priest has his robes torn off him, his rosary trampled under foot. The fat old beer-garden proprietor dies under torture. Their storm trooper colleague gives himself away and is shot in the back.

Hans escape to a neutral country. His baby is not born a Nazi after all. He feels he is deserting his friends. But his wife tells him he can do more to help them outside Germany.

Hence this film. The cast are mostly fugitives from Nazidom and ex-members of the Gestapo.

Steffi Duna and Roland Drew play the leading parts.

It is a darkly grim, sincerely made picture. I think you should see it. Remember it as American (not British), and anything more anti-Nazi would be difficult to imagine.

The Jessfield Club

George Roth, as from Thursday pianist-soloist at the Jessfield Club, has attracted a large number of his old friends, who have attended since his opening night. In his own right, Roth commands the respect of all patrons of night clubs and, inasmuch as he is supported by Serge Havsky and Eddie Brandt, as well as by the tenor, Ring, it goes without saying that his tenure at the piano and that of his confreres will be of no small duration.

At the Moulin Rouge

"Larry" and "Steve" the two popular co-managers of the Moulin Rouge, have intimated that they are prepared to serve Hungarian and Viennese dishes during the evening's dancing. A fully qualified chef has been engaged and one would suppose that the service will be more than satisfactory. The change in the orchestra sees Gottlieb and Ossoutzky, respectively at the piano and drums.

Charles Chaplin Still Holds Star Record

Comedian's Career 26 Years with Top Billing

Charles Spencer Chaplin, who takes such long rests between his comedies that this rising generation has much difficulty in identifying him as a movie personality, is nevertheless the player with the longest consecutive starring record in Hollywood.

"The Dictator," which Chaplin plans to bring forth in a couple of months, marks 26 years of over-title billing for the funny little man who hopes to make totalitarian nations and their leaders look ridiculous in his new comedy.

Shortest-lived star on Hollywood's charts is Jane Bryan. Two weeks after Miss Bryan was officially elevated to stardom by the Warner Brothers she completely crossed up her employers by marrying and retiring from the screen.

"Invisible Stripes"

George Raft and Jane Bryan come to Grand Theatre soon.

These and other "star life expectancy" figures came to light recently when Paramount's research department completed a survey which will be used as background for a kaleidoscopic story, tracing the development of the film industry from its earliest days.

Screen stars today have a greater professional "life expectancy," statistics show, than at any time since the industry began. Eight years was the average duration of a star's heyday before movies began to talk.

Today the probable career expectancy of a player achieving top billing is computed by studio actuaries at 10.7 years. And they say the average is still going up—an encouraging note for talented boys and girls who have been rightfully shunning Hollywood because of its unstable means of earning a livelihood.

Next to Chaplin in starring service is Harold Lloyd, another comedian, who only recently announced his retirement from acting to become a producer.

"Typhoon"

Dorothy Lamour, Preston Foster and Lynn Overman are at the Grand Theatre in technicolour.

MGM's "Amendment" to Law of Gravity

Technical Error While Making "Mortal Storm"

Physicists undoubedly will be somewhat perplexed by the amendment made to the law of gravity by Metro technicians while filming "The Mortal Storm." For a skiing sequence in which James Stewart and Margaret Sullavan flee from a Nazi border patrol, a camera truck was built to race down the ski-slide at Sun Valley. Everything went along fine until the film was developed, and it was found that only 40 feet had been exposed on the 1½-miles run.

This meant that Metro, which excels in all things, had bettered the velocity of a falling object in a vacuum and, depending solely on gravitation, had upset the calculation of the Army Air Corps, which has figured that a man falling from a plane without a parachute attains a speed of 118 miles an hour. The Mero sled, according to Culver City mathematicians, went 180.

In the past, skiing shots have been obtained through three unsatisfactory methods. One was to fasten a small camera to a skier and let him go, but the scene always jumped all over the screen. Another was to put the camera on a bobsled, but the motion was almost as bad as that of the first. The third method was a fast pan down a slope following a skier, but this lacked the necessary thrill.

John Arnold, head of MGM's camera department, devised a contraption mounted on three runners. The front runner to which an 18-inch knife blade was attached, steered the sled, gave the truck traction and kept the device from skidding at the turns.

The result on the screen was fairly smooth, but, because it travelled so rapidly, the sled passed the skier as if he were standing still and nothing within two miles of the camera could be seen as anything but a blur. Mountain peaks flashed past as though they were telegraph poles. After looking at the rushes, Arnold wired to Sun Valley giving the crew instructions on how to put drags on the rear runners, and he believes that the new scenes will be satisfactory.

Anna Neagle's Director

If there be a case of a star being made, and well made, by her director, it is the case of Anna Neagle. This is not to say that Miss Neagle is not an accomplished actress who would have done well in any directorial hands, but it is unquestionable that Herbert Wilcox, her director throughout all her pictures but one, has served her well and consistently. Indeed it is doubtful if there be another example in the film world of director and star being so exclusively associated. But there may be a short break in this exclusive association.

Columbia are about to make an important picture on the American War of Independence. It is to be called "The Tree of Liberty," and it is intended to produce it on a scale which will rival "Gone With The Wind." Cary Grant will be the male lead, and Frank Lloyd wants Anna Neagle for the heroine. Herbert Wilcox, it appears, is so impressed by the opportunity that this part will give Miss Neagle, that he has relaxed his contract rights and given his permission.

Talented Orchestra

The Bolero Night Club's new dance band had a successful debut last Thursday and played to a near-capacity crowd until early morning. At various times during the night no tables were available. The management received many congratulations on the excellence of the music and is of the opinion that it has been justified in importing the band. Every one of the four members of the unit demonstrated genuine talent, particularly Harry Tafet, the singing drummer; Herbert Ruff, pianist, accordeonist and vocalist, and Ernest Schlittner, whose violin numbers won many friends for him. As a pianist and accordeonist, Bernhard Ruff proved that he is on par with the best in the city. The Bolero opens at 10 p.m. and never closes before 7 a.m.

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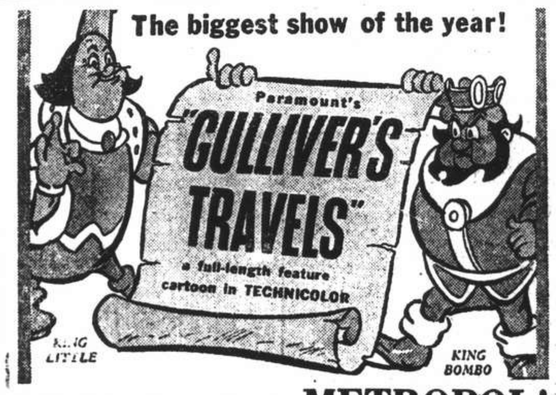

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Bright Cricket Marks First Match of Season Here

Wood's Attractive Knock of 67 Enables Anstice' Side to Defeat Elliot's XII at S.C.C.

CRICKET got off its mark in Shanghai yesterday afternoon when at the S.C.C. ground, two S.C.C. sides struggled for victory in a close and at times quite interesting match. Thanks to a splendid knock by T. H. Wood, who scored 67 in fairly fast time, E. H. Anstice's XII were enabled to defeat G. B. Elliot's side by the slim margin of 21 runs, the winners knocking up 147 and then retiring their opponents for 126.

Quite a number of first-class players were out but most of them had not recovered from the long winter lay-off with the very obvious result that they were stiff and not as fit as they will be in a few weeks. Fairbairn and Duckitt made fine efforts when batting to stem the tide for the losers, but though they both passed the thirty mark, they received little support from the remainder of the side with the exception of R. Lawrance, a youngster from the Public Schools who displayed such excellent form with bat and ball last summer.

Anstice, winning the toss, took first knock, but three wickets went down quickly. With arrival of Wood, however, the rate of scoring increased and the bowling was gradually collared. He scored twice as fast as his partners, who were retired at regular intervals and when he was smartly stumped by Sim when the board read 118, he had scored 67, 40 of which came through hits to the tapes. He had a couple of lives during the course of his innings, but in view of the fact that this was the first game of the year, he played a bright and entertaining part in the proceedings. Kale and L. Lawrance kept the tail wagging appreciably but the last wicket fell at 147. No less than eight trundlers were tried, with Day the best, his three victims costing only two runs. Elliot also claimed three wickets while Orr disposed of four batsmen for a cost of 31.

Simpson and Fairbairn made a brisk start for G. B. Elliot's XII, but the former left at 17, being well held by Read off his own bowling. Winney and Sim did not stay long, but Duckitt and Fairbairn then became associated in a good stand which took the total to 69 before Fairbairn, after recording a patient 32, was taken by Hart at first-slip. A rot then set in and the eighth partnership was broken up with the board reading 74. Duckitt, however, refused to be beaten and joined by young Lawrance, they raised the total to 91, before the former was caught by Chadwick. Lawrance, who was at the wickets for twenty minutes before opening his account, then seemed more confident and quickly raced ahead of Lingard, who was beaten by Kale at 120. Lawrance, however, was retired at 126 and the game came to an end with Anstice's side narrow winners.

Again eight bowlers were employed in the attack with Chadwick doing best with his leg breaks, his three wickets being secured at a trifle under five runs apiece.

E. H. Anstice's XII

P. J. Hart, c. Mellor, b. Orr	3
G. J. Read, b. Orr	6
R. F. Scott, c. & b. Orr	1
T. H. Wood, st. Sim, b. Elliot	67
E. H. Anstice, b. Orr	14
J. Fletcher, b. Elliot	9
W. V. K. Chadwick, c. Orr, b. Elliot	4
J. R. Kale, b. Day	18
L. Lawrance, c. Winney, b. Day	10
E. R. Dow, run out	0
J. D. Sayle, b. Day	0
E. C. Baker, not out	5
Extras	10
Total	147

Fall of Wickets: 1-4 (Hart), 2-8 (Read), 3-21 (Scott), 4-53 (Anstice), 5-85 (Fletcher), 6-103 (Chadwick), 7-118 (Wood), 8-139 (Lawrance), 9-141 (Kale), 10-142 (Dow), 11-147 (Sayle).

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Orr	7	2	31	4
Sluis	4	0	21	0
Mellor	5	0	30	0
Elliot	4	0	19	3
Simpson	2	0	16	0
Duckitt	2	0	13	0
Day	2	0	2	3
Lawrance R.	1	0	5	1

G. B. Elliot's XII

P. V. Simpson, c. & b. Read	9
J. E. Fairbairn, c. Hart, b. Fletcher	32
G. J. Winney, b. Wood	7
W. B. Sim, b. Fletcher	0
E. R. Duckitt, c. Chadwick, b. Dow	35
C. H. Mellor, b. Chadwick	3
H. E. Orr, l.b.w. b. Fletcher	0
G. B. Elliot, c. Read, b. Chadwick	1
L. G. Day, c. Wood, b. Chadwick	0
L. Lawrance, c. Kale, b. Read	18
A. Lingard, b. Kale	7
E. J. Sluis, not out	6
Extras	8
Total	126

Fall of Wickets: 1-17 (Simpson), 2-35 (Winney), 3-40 (Sim), 4-69 (Fairbairn), 5-69 (Orr), 6-72 (Mellor), 7-74 (Elliot), 8174 (Day), 9-91 (Duckitt), 10-120 (Lingard), 11-126 (Lawrance).

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Read	5.3	1	17	2
Fletcher	10	1	33	3
Wood	2	1	13	1
Chadwick	5	2	14	3
Baker	2	0	8	0
Dow	5	0	13	1
Scott	3	0	10	0
Kale	2	0	10	1

French Team Make Spectacular Rally

Defeat Nanyang 4-2 After Being Behind 0-2; Three Cultures, Lusitano Draw

Trailing 2-0 after fifteen minutes of play, the French Forces launched one attack after another to come out victors by 4-2 over Nanyang in a Senior Division mini-soccer game before a meagre crowd of spectators at the Aurora University yesterday afternoon. The French soldiers were handicapped by the absence of Heloyan, their thrusttul little centre-forward, while in the second half, Kenker had to leave the game because of an injury sustained.

Joseph Bossuet and Collet were the stars of the French team and the former proved his opportunism by scoring two goals. In another tussels, Lusitano A, although playing better than their opponents, only managed to break even with Three Cultures. The last game of the afternoon saw the Aurorians, lamed by the non-appearance of Karolitch, Foyn and Roboostoff, lose to an equally depleted Three Stars team, the final score standing at 5-2 in favour of the Chinese.

French Forces 4—Nanyang 2

French Forces:—Levy, Collet, Roussel, Sinh, Kenker, J. Bossuet, Lebras.

Nanyang:—Z. M. Chu, S. Cheng, K. D. Lee, S. T. Pan, L. H. Han, T. Van, G. S. Yue.

The game was barely five minutes old when T. Van broke through and passed to L. H. Han. The Chinese winger was unmarked and had little difficulty to net the first point. Collet, playing a good game, left his position and joined the attacking department. The French at this time had the better of the exchanges and the Chinese defence were pressed. A clearance on the part of S. Cheng gave the ball to Van and the latter sent the leather to Han who put his side two up with another beautiful shot, leaving Levy absolutely helpless. Right from the centre, the ball was brought into the Chinese territory and J. Bossuet decreased the score with a roller.

Thirteen minutes after the restart, Lebras equalised with an oblique shot, while six minutes later, Collet put the final touch to a nice run by Lebras, converting his pass to give his side the lead. The ball hit the upright and rebounded into the goal, beyond the Chinese goalie's reach. Four minutes before the end of the game, J. Bossuet made sure of the victory by netting from a pass by Collet.

Lusitano 2—Three Cultures 2

Lusitano:—M. Souza, Ozorio, C, Remedios, Silva, I. Remedios, Braga, J. Remedios.

Three Cultures:—T. K. Wang, Y. P. Chen, G. L. Chow, T. P. Wang, C. F. Tsao, S. M. Tao, P. H. Wu.

The Portuguese, fielding a depleted team, took a long time to start, and Ozorio and C. Remedios had their hands full in dealing with the Chinese attacks. A pretty run by I. Remedios in the 18th minute ended in a beautiful goal, the balling sailing through the Chinese goalie's upstretched hands into the left corner of the net. The same player was responsible for the second goal after J. Remedios had beaten all opposition on the left and centred. The ball went to Braga and the centre-forward did not hesitate to pass it to I. Remedios, who scored. The Chinese cut the margin to 2-1 four minutes later when C. F. Tsao used S. M. Tao's pass to good effect. The Chinese drew level in the middle of the second half, the goal coming again from the boot of their right-wing.

Three Stars 5—Aurorians 2

Three Stars:—C. Z. Toong, Z. B. Feng, S. T. Tan, T. F. Chow, W. T. Tsu, T. Y. Doong, C. T. Woo.

Aurorians:—Wolfin, Walter, J. C. Hui, Popoff, T. Y. Wang, J. T. Hui, H. S. Fong.

With Roboostoff, Karolitch and Foyn on the absent list, the Aurorians were no match for the Three Stars, who, although also missing three of their best players, had more combination. The Aurorians kept their goal intact for the first twenty minutes, when W. T. Tsu opened the score after a melee in front of their goal. The same player gave a scintillating display and scored the next three goals for his side, all within some ten minutes. C. T. Woo put the Stars further up in the 17th minute of the second half. Content with the score, the Three Stars relaxed considerably and allowed the Aurorians to take the initative into their hands with the result that first H. S. Fong and then Popoff found the net, decreasing the final margin to 5-2.

JUNIOR GAMES

Synagogue 6, Aurora A 0
Parks 1, Fou Koang 0

Cricket Club to Meet Recs on Thursday

The following team will represent an S.C.C. XI, captained by C. H. Mellor, against a Recs' XI next Thursday and Friday evenings, May 23 and 24, on the Recs' ground, play on both days commencing at 5.15 p.m. prompt:

C. H. Mellor, P. J. Hart, T. H. Wood, R. Gates, A. J. Harvey, E. R. Dow, J. Larsen, J. Fletcher, W. B. Sim, E. J. Sluis, H. Rogerson. Reserves: J. R. Kale, W. V. K. Chadwick. Umpire: A. Lingard.

"N.C.D.N." Photos.

Yangtszepoo Bowling Club Opens

Top picture shows a group of Yangtszepoo Bowling Club players beginning the season of their favourite sport, the group including Aitkenhead, Butterworth, Mudford, Simpson, McMahon and North. Lower picture of the same occasion yesterday shows Grant and Chisholm studying the situation.

Softball Growing In Popularity

Banner Season Indicated This Year by Number of League Entries Here

Judging from the record number of entries received for this summer's softball competitions, the 1940 season is likely to prove unprecedented in popularity, the tremendous keennesss and interest that this comparatively new game has aroused among local sportsmen having surpassed all anticipations.

Entries have now closed and the list comprises the following teams:

"A" Division.—Buccaneers; Texaco; American Junior Chamber of Commerce; S.F.X.; Y.M.C.A. Cubs; Columbia Country Club; Fourth Marine Officers; 1st Battalion; 2nd Battalion; Headquarters Battalion; Rowing Club; Race Club; B.A.T.

"B" Division.—Telephone Recreation Club; Seaforth Highlanders; Synagogue Sports Club; Y.M.C.A. Tigers; P.T.H.; Betar; Shanghai American School and Jewish Recreation Club.

Due to the large number of entries in "A" Division, the entrants have been divided into two sections, to be known as the "Nationals" and "Americans."

"Nationals":—1st Battalion; 2nd Battalion; Race Club; B.A.T.; S.F.X. and Rowing Club.

"Americans."—Buccaneers; Texaco, Columbia Country Club; Marine Officers; Headquarters Battalion; American Junior Chamber of Commerce and Y.M.C.A. Cubs.

Two rounds will be played in "A" Division on a round-robin basis while the eight teams in "B" Division will play but one round. Competition is scheduled to begin on Friday, June 14 when play in both divisions will get under way. Matches will be played on Mondays and Fridays of each week, games to start at 5.30 p.m.

Seven diamonds are at present available for use when play starts, two at the Race Course, two at the Columbia Country Club and three at the American School but it is hoped that further grounds will be secured in the Jewish Recreation Club in Weihaiwei Road, in Gonzaga College and possibly in Kiaochow Park.

The following are the official rules for the 1940 season together with the managers of the various competing teams:

1.—Team managers must post the names of the players on their team with the league Secretary not later than June 1st, 1940.

2.—Any man playing for one team at the opening of the season shall be ineligible to play for any other team or club in the league throughout the remainder of that reason. Failure to comply with this rule means that the offending team which plays a man that is ineligible, forfeits the game and the fee.

3.—There will be no postponed games except due to rain or wet grounds. Call the Secretary and be sure if the grounds are playable after a rain.

4.—No team shall play an official game with less than 7 men (or more than 10 men at any one time) at any one game. Any team fielding less than the required 7 men at the official game time, will forfeit the game and the forfeiture fee.

5.—Any game that is not under way within 15 minutes of the scheduled time shall be forfeited by the offending team.

6.—If any team is unable to play a scheduled game and can give a good reason for not so doing, provided the team's Manager will notify the League Secretary by 10.00 a.m. on the day of the game, that team will be recorded with a loss in the League standings, BUT will not lose it's forfeiture fee. The opposing team will be credited with a win in the standings.

TEAM MANAGERS

"A" DIVISION

Buccaneers:—C. C. (Dud) Squires.
Texaco:—E. C. Stocher.
Chamber of Commerce:—Dr. S. F. Jensen.
S. F. X.:—Brother Peter.
"Y." Cubs:—I. Dobrenky.
C. C. C.:—Walter Hebel.
Marines H. Q.:—Lieut. R. E. Honsfwetz.
Marines Officers:—Major R. Hunt.
Marines 1st Batt.:—Capt. J. P. McCaffery.
Marines 2nd Batt.:—Lieut. R. E. Hommel.
Rowing Club:—W. Portrude.
Race Club:—E. Gensburger.
B. A. T.:—L. D. Patterson.

"B" DIVISION

Telephone Club:—H. W. Klovehorn.
Seaforths:—Lieut. W. L. Machintosh.
Synagogue Sports Club:—J. E. Cohen.
"Y" Tigers:—I. Dobrenky.
P. T. H.:—E. J. Tivoniuk.
Betar:—I. Furman.
S. A. S.:—H. P. Brown.
J. R. C.:—E. Chaikin.

Arsenal Put Out of Football Cup

Birmingham Win by One Goal Margin

London, May 18.

The formidable Arsenal XI have been eliminated from the English Football War Cup competition, losing to Birmingham in the third round by the odd goal in three.

The complete results follow:—

Fulham 2, Notts Forest 0
Everton 1, Stoke 0
Huddersfield 3, West Ham 3 (after extra time)
Coventry 0, West Bromwich 1 (after extra time)
Barnsley 0, Blackpool 1
Arsenal 1, Birmingham 2
Blackburn 3, Sunderland 2
Newcastle 1, Bristol Rovers 0

The draw for the round, to be played on May 25, is:—

Fulham *v.* Everton
Blackburn *v.* West Bromwich
Blackpool *v.* Newcastle
Huddersfield or West Ham *v.* Birmingham.—Reuter.

Bradford Northern Win Rugby League Title

London, May 18.

Bradford Northern won the Rugby League championship final today, beating Swinton by 21 points to 13. Results of other matches follow:

Halifax 20, Wakefield 11
Dewsbury 13, Castleford 5
Hull 27, Bramley 2
St. Helen's 11, Widnes 20

WEST LANCASHIRE

Warrington 12, Wigan 12

In a friendly match, Oldham trounced Leeds by 37 to 11.—Reuter.

Earl Averill Leads All Batting Averages

Foxx Has Most Home Runs With Total of Nine

New York, May 18.

Details of batting averages, hits registered, runs and homers scored up-to-date in the major leagues are given below:

Batting Averages

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Averill	.468
Finny	.400
Radcliff, Hayes	.391
Wright	.379

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Walker	.413
Gustine	.380
Lombardi	.377
Danning	.353
Medwick	.350

HOME RUNS

Foxx, Mize	9
Trosky	3
Kuhel	6
Johnson, Tabor, Heath	5

RUNS

Case	25
Foxx	24
Mize	22
Moses	20
Williams, Boudreau	19

HOITS

Cramer	
Finny	38
Radcliff	36
Wright, Boudreau, Walker	34

—United Press.

Two More Bowling Clubs Open Their Summer Seasons

Highly Successful Occasion at Junior Golf Club; Yangtszepoo B.C. Also Begin Play

FOLLOWING the openng of the Shanghai Lawn Bowls Club and Police Recreation Club greens on Saturday, the Junior Golf Club and the Yangtszepoo Bowling Club held their official opening day yesterday to bring the number of bowling greens now open to play to four. At both clubs yesterday, large gatherings were present to witness the customary games between the teams representing the President and the Vice-President, these matches proving the main attraction on the programme of activities at the Junior Golf Club and the Yangtszepoo Bowling Club.

The Opening Day of the Shanghai Junior Golf Club, Lawn Bowls Section, at Hongkew Park yesterday proved the most successful on record. The Club was inaugurated in 1908 and has had many ups and downs, but judging from the attendance yesterday it looks as if the many set-backs that have been experienced have at last been overcome.

The proceedings commenced at 10 a.m. and lasted throughout the day. Progressive Pairs were played in the forenoon. A cold collation was provided to which 60 persons sat down. In the afternoon, mixed rinks were played representing the Captain versus the Vice-Captain. Prizes were given to the winning rink by the largest margin and also to the Rink with the smallest score.

At the conclusion of the games the prizes were presented to the winners by Mrs. A. D. Denton, who was introduced by M. Benton, the Hon. Secretary. K. L. Swartzell, Captain of the Junior Golf Club in an able speech referred to the Club's activities during the past year and to the prospects for the coming season, which he said were very promising.

Cinema Shown

The day's proceedings wound up with a cinema which was most interesting and thoroughly appreciated by the large crowd present.

The total attendance during the day exceeded over 100 persons.

The following are the results of the day's games:—

VICE-CAPTAIN		CAPTAIN	
A. Letchford	27	H. F. Cranfield	14
N. C. Beeman	19	P. H. Shaw	13
R. H. Miles	25	K. L. Swartzell	14
M. Benton	20	J. C. A'Quino	12
H. F. Ralph	18	J. J. Gaffney	23
	109		76

At their Wayside Park greens, the Yangtszepoo Bowling Club held their opening day activities simultaneously, but they made a later start than the Junior Golf Club, commencing at 2.30 p.m. A group picture of the large crowd was taken according to the custom. The bulk of the afternoon was then filled in with the annual match between the President's and Vice-President's teams; four rinks and one pair took part in this match which resulted in a narrow victory for the former side by 100 shots to 92.

The details of the game follows:—

PRESIDENT		VICE-PRESIDENT	
Drysdale (skip)	23	Scrimgeour (skip)	22
Keenan		McVicar	
Campbell		Kearns	
Booth		McCallum	
Jordan (skip)	17	Hogg (skip)	20
Mathison		Greenhalgh	
Muller		Roberts	
Francis		Mitchell	
Grant (skip)	11	Chisholm (skip)	26
Aitkenhead		Simpson	
Rutterworth		McMahon	
Mudford		North	
Wilkinson (skip)	20	McLean (skip)	16
Marks		Fyfe	
Findlater		Wakelin	
Fletcher		Turnbull	
Sharp (skip)	29	Cheetham (skip)	8
Buchanan		Lucas	
	100		92

The activities of the afternoon were then wound up with a prize presentation in which suitable awards were distributed to the rink which scored the closest victory in the President *v.* Vice-President game. By virtue of their 23-22 triumph over the four skipped by Scrimgeour, the rink consisting of Drysdale (skip), Kennan, Campbell and Booth were awarded the prizes.

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4	2	6	77.80	31.10	,, 3-4	$113.40
5	1	4	93.50	37.40	,, 4-5	$ 52.90
6	1	2	129.10	51.60	,, 5-6	$ 32.40
7	3	1	66.60	26.60	,, 6-7	$ 30.20
8	4	1	26.80	10.70	,, 7-8	$ 14.90
9	6	4	24.40	9.70	,, 8-9	$ 6.20
10	5	3	314.00	125.60	,, 9-10	$ 45.30
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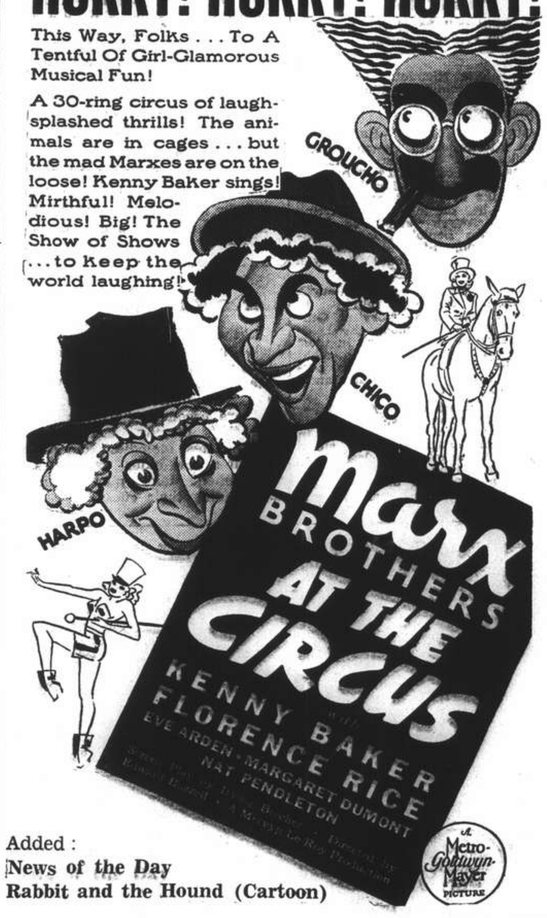

Added:
News of the Day
Rabbit and the Hound (Cartoon)

Yankees Continue to Climb

Champions Trounce White Sox to Pass Browns; Bees Get 20 Hits and 15 Runs in Beating Pirates

New York, May 18.

A 3-GAME schedule in the American League resulted in the New York Yankees shutting out the Chicago White Sox, 3-0. The World Champions hauled themselves still further up the standings. The Yanks, who recently held the cellar berth, climbed over the St. Louis Browns by their latest triumph. The Yankees clouted pitcher Thornton Lee for 11 hits. A full schedule in the National League saw its two leading teams lose. The loop-leading Cincinnati Reds fell heavily before the Philadelphia Phillies when the latter's heavy guns hammered out 14 hits, which they converted into eight runs to the Reds' three.

The Brooklyn Dodgers who earned seven blows, the same as the Cardinals, failed to convert these into needed runs. The Cards crossed the platter six times to the Dodgers' mere two, to climb out of the cellar.

The Giants increased their percentage with a 6-4 victory over the Chicago Cubs. The remaining game saw the Boston Bees indulge in an orgy of hitting against the Pittsburgh Pirates. The Bees connected for 20 hits, gaining 15 runs against Pittsburgh's five.

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New York	3	11	0
Chicago	0	2	1
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Boston v. St. Louis postponed.			
Detroit	8	9	0
Philadelphia	6	7	5
Cleveland	2	7	2
Washington	3	7	0

NATIONAL LEAGUE

St. Louis	6	7	0
Brooklyn	2	7	0
Batteries: McGee, Shoun, Padgett; Hamlin, Tamulis, Doyle, Phelps.			
Cincinnati	3	7	1
Philadelphia	3	14	0
Batteries: Derringer, Moore, Hershberger; Mulcahy, Atwood.			
Chicago	4	8	1
New York	6	11	1
Batteries: Olsen, Root, Raffensberger, Moody, Todd; Gumbert, Brown, Danning.			
Pittsburgh	5	10	3
Boston	15	20	3
Batteries: Butcher, Klinger, Heintzelman, Bauers, Schultz; Posedel, Piechota, Lopez.			

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.
Boston	16	6	.750
Cleveland	14	9	.609
Detroit	13	11	.542
Philadelphia	11	13	.458
Washington	11	13	.458
New York	10	13	.435
St. Louis	9	13	.409
Chicago	9	15	.375

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Cincinnati	17	6	.739
Brooklyn	16	6	.727
New York	13	10	.565
Chicago	13	12	.520
Philadelphia	9	12	.429
Boston	7	13	.350
St. Louis	7	16	.304
Pittsburgh	6	15	.286

—United Press.

Russian Regt. Meet Marines Tomorrow

All Ready for Long List Of Bouts; Large Crowd Assured for Fights

With seats selling fast for the boxing card to be held at the S.V.C. Drill Hall, Foochow Road, on Tuesday evening, May 21, the success of the presentation is assured. A few tickets remain still on hand and now may be procured from the Russian Regiment, 6 The Bund, at $3, $2, $1 for numbered seats. Fifty cent stubs for standing room can also be secured from the same source.

Thirteen bouts have been arranged, with the majority being between representatives of the Russian Regiment and the United States Marine Corps. In addition three members of H.M.S. Tern will make their appearance during the course of the evening.

All events will be judged under Olympic rules while prizes will be presented by Colonel DeWitt Peck.

The revised programme follows:—

TWO TWO-MINUTE ROUNDS

Pte. Prosvirnin (125) Russ. Rgt. v. Pte. Gvozdoff (125) Russ. Rgt.; Pte. Bolotnenko (156) Russ. Rgt. v. Pte. Krasoulia (144) Russ. Rgt.; Pte. Utushoff (125) Russ. Rgt. v. Ldg. Smn. Steadman (130) H.M.S. Tern.

THREE TWO-MINUTE ROUNDS

Pte. Veretennikoff (129) Russ. Rgt. v. Pvt. Christie (130) 4th U.S.M.C.; Pte. Igoshin (134) Russ. Rgt. v. Pvt. Fairchild (134) 4th U.S.M.C.

TWO TWO-MINUTE ROUNDS

Pte. Pisareff (166) Russ. Rgt. v. A. B. Whitfield (160) H.M.S. Tern; Cpl. Meleshko (142) Russ. Rgt. v. Pvt. Flowers (142) 4th U.S.M.C.

THREE TWO-MINUTE ROUNDS

Pte. Nazimko (145) Russ. Rgt. v. A. B. Gaze (160) H.M.S. Tern; Pte. Tihonoff (164) Russ. Rgt. v. Pvt. Babler (188) 4th U.S.M.C.

Pte. Fester (137) Russ. Rgt. v. P. F. C. Sparks (137) 4th U.S.M.C.

Pte. Golovkin (133) Russ. Rgt. v. P. F. C. Pesanchik (133) 4th U.S.M.C.

Cpl. Mardensky (158) Russ. Rgt. v. Pvt. Lees. (158) 4th U.S.M.C.

THREE TWO-MINUTE ROUNDS

Pte. Kulinberg (144) Russ. Rgt. v. Pvt. Rearick (145) 4th U.S.M.C.

Her Chair Awaits

Cozette Ortans executes a twist before settling down in a sitting position during the circus held in New York recently.

League Football At Home

Wolves Overwhelmed by Walsall; Brentford in Win Over Charlton

London, May 18.

The following are the results of English and Scottish regional League football matches played today:—

English League

SOUTH "C"

Brentford 2, Charlton 1
Southampton 3, Tottenham 3

MIDLAND

Luton 3, Leicester 1
Wolverhampton 1, Walsall 5

WESTERN

Chester 4, Liverpool 0
Manchester City 7, Portvale 0
Newbrighton 6, Manchester United 0

NORTH WESTERN

Bolton 4, Accrington 1
Preston 5, Southport 0
Rochdale 2, Bury 3
Barrow 5, Oldham 1

EAST MIDLAND

Mansfield 3, Chesterfield 1
Doncaster 2, Rotherham 1
Notts County 1, Sheffield Wednesday 4
Sheffield United 3, Grimsby 0

NORTH-EASTERN

Bradford City 1, Middlesbrough 4
Darlington 2, Bradford 2
Halifax 0, Hull 1
York 2, Hartlepools 1
Millwall 2, Chelsea 3 (friendly)

SOUTH "D"

Aldershot 1, Southend 0
Crystal Palace 6, Bournemouth 0
Queens Park 4, Clapton Orient 0
Reading 3, Brighton 1
Watford 0, Norwich 0

SOUTHWESTERN

Bristol City 2, Torquay 2
Newport 5, Swindon 2
Cardiff 2, Swansea 2

Scottish League

WESTERN

Airdrieonians 3, Morton 2
Motherwell 2, Albion 1
Partick 3, St. Mirren 1
Queen of South 2, Clyde 2
Rangers 2, Hamilton 2

EASTERN

Hibernian 2, Aberdeen 0
Dundee 4, Falkirk 2
Dunfermline 2, Dundee U.—Reuter.

Canidrome Results

1—300 yd. flat.—1, Trump Card; 2, Plain Bee.
Also ran:—Bebben, Wee Pell, Oulala, Vita Spermin.
3½ lengths.—Time, 18.37.
Win, $21.10. Forecast 6-5 Div. $80.10.
Place, 1st $12.00; 2nd $11.60.

2—300 yd. flat.—1, Grayzeb; 2, Gator.
Also ran:—Jack, Bouzou, Boune Paye, Snow Dale.
1 length.—Time, 18.31.
Win, $29.30. Forecast 3-1 Div. $142.
Place, 1st $16; 2nd $20.60.
Double Event 1/2 6-3 Div. $40.10.

3—440 yd. flat.—1, Mac Queen; 2, Peerless Style.
Also ran:—Be Snappy, Warrenfield, Celadon, Chez Marcel.
Short head.—Time, 26.74.
Win, $31.50. Forecast 2-6 Div. $155.10.
Place, 1st $14.70; 2nd $6.90.
Double Event 2/3 3-2 Div. $108.80.

4—500 yd. flat.—1, Swanee; 2, Ladybird II.
Also ran:—Cute Vanguard, Lulia Dale, Erin Beau, High Brow.
Short head.—Time, 30.62.
Win, $25.20. Forecast 2-6 Div. $77.80.
Place, 1st $10.70; 2nd $10.
Double Event 3/4 3-2 Div. $113.40.

5—500 yd. flat.—1, Princess Talgal; 2, Distinction.
Also ran:—Wild Harmony, Reckless Master, Sou Mei, Don Juan.
2½ lengths.—Time, 30.37.
Win, $19. Forecast 1-4 Div. $93.50.
Place, 1st $8.40; 2nd $12.30.
Double Event 4/5 2-1 Div. $52.90.

6—500 yl. flat.—1, Matador; 2, Lone Plume.
Also ran:—Shanghai Bill, Adam's Ruin, Don Luiz, Grey Mey.
1 length.—Time, 30.22.
Win, $17.70. Forecast 1-2 Div. $129.10.
Place, 1st $9.10; 2nd $12.90.
Double Event 5/6 1-1 Div. $32.40.

7—500 yd. flat.—1, Wanstead; 2, Old Chap.
Also ran:—Chihli Blue Arrow, Brilliance, San't Forget, Fly Catcher.
5 lengths.—Time, 29.87.
Win, $15.50. Forecast 3-1 Div. $66.60.
Place, 1st $8.70; 2nd $13.60.
Double Event 5/7 1-3 Div. $30.20.

8—500 yd. flat.—1, Miss Pitts; 2, Theydon Bois.
A head.—Time, 29.99.
Win, $9.60. Forecast 4-1 Div. $26.80.
Place, 1st $6.70; 2nd $6.30.
Double Event 7/8 3-4 Div. $14.90.

8 "A"—Match 500 yd. flat.—1, Sonny Beaufort; 2, Candid Answer.
9 lengths.—Time, 29.12.
Win, $7.20.

9—500 yd. flat.—1, Royal Navy; 2, Grand Society.
1½ length.—Time, 29.25.
Win, $7.60. Forecast 6-4 Div. $24.40.
Place, 1st $5.90; 2nd $8.90.
Double Event 8/9 4-6 Div. $6.20.

10—500 yd. flat.—1, Grey Viking; 2, Some Fortune.
½ length.—Time, 29.57.
Win, $28. Forecast 5-3 Div. $314.
Place, 1st $18.40; 2nd $15.80.
Double Event 9/10 6-5 Div. $45.30.

11—650 yd. flat.—1, Olympia; 2, O. I. C.
1½ length.—Time, 39.87.
Win, $30.30. Forecast 5-4 Div. $115.30.
Place, 1st $12.60; 2nd $13.40.
Double Event 10/11 5-5 Div. $149.70.
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President Opening the Baseball Season

President Franklin D. Roosevelt, away from the cares of state for a time, uncorks an exceedingly wild pitch to open the 1940 baseball season at Griffith Stadium, Washington, D.C., recently. It was in the game that followed that Lefty Grove, of the Boston Red Sox, shut out the Washington Senators with two hits to earn a 1-0 victory. Looking on above are James Farley, Postmaster General (left) Manager Bucky Harris of the Senators (right) and Manager Joe Cronin of the Red Sox. The ball being thrown here hit the camera of an international news photographer who lost his hat but escaped with an undamaged camera.

French Envoy to Papal See Given Key Post

M. Roux Replaces M. Leger As Quai d'Orsay Chief

Paris, May 19

M. Francois Charles Roux, French Ambassador to the Vatican, has been appointed Secretary-General of the Foreign Affairs Ministry in place of M. Alexis Leger, who will receive another important post, it was announced today.

M. Roux served in Petersburg, Constantinople, Cairo, London and Rome. He was Minister to Prague in 1926, and was appointed to his post in the Holy See in 1932. He was mentioned in a number of dispatches during the Allied Near East campaign in 1915.

M. Roux is also an author of some renown, having written a number of history books, chiefly an authoritative one on Egypt. He is a member of the Institut de France.

M. Leger has served for many years as Secretary General of the Quai d'Orsay, the most important permanent post in the Foreign Ministry.

The appointment of M. Roux is seen as the beginning of the diplomatic reshuffle announced by the Premier, M. Paul Reynaud, in his recent radio speech. The movement, M. Reynaud declared, is aimed to give France's foreign policy and her representation abroad its maximum efficiency.

As Minister in Prague, M. Roux became well-acquainted with the politics of central Europe when the Little Entente played a predominant part. During the period of his stay in the Holy See, France and Vatican City enjoyed the closest relations ever existing between the two states. The ties binding Paris and the Papacy were emphasised in a statement made by Pope Pius XII on December 24, 1939, before the College of Cardinals, as well as by the recent declaration of M. Reynaud alluding to "the defence of Latin and Christian civilization."

Competent quarters point out that it is this evidence of the ties of common sympathy binding France and Vatican City against Germany that has made Rome hesitate to enter the war on Germany's side.—Havas.

Many Hurt, Killed in California 'Quake

El Centro, May 19.

Many people were either killed or seriously injured today when a violent earthquake shook El Centro, a California city about 20 miles from the Mexican border, and the surrounding region. Telephone and telegraph communications were cut off.—Havas.

Malta Now Fully Prepared

Malta, May 19.

Although determined, and fully prepared for all eventualities, the people here remain calm. Immediate developments in the Mediterranean are not expected here.—Reuter.

Italian Submarine Achievement

Tarent, May 19.

The new Italian submarine, the Leonardo da Vinci, reached the remarkable depth of 101 meters during diving trials, it was revealed today. The submarine has now entered service.—Havas.

Earthquake Rocks California Town

Los Angeles, May 19.

A violent earthquake today rocked El Centro in southern California. Three people were reported killed and several injured. A number of houses collapsed.—Reuter.

Prince Bernhard in Paris

Paris, May 18.

Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands, husband of Crown Princess Juliana, took part in a solemn ceremony today when he laid a wreath on the Unknown Soldier's Tomb at the Arc de Triomphe. He was received before the ceremony by General Herbillon, Military commander of Paris. Government representatives were present.—Havas.

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Nazi Plot Discovered In England

Plans to Seize Power Stations Found

London, May 19.

The British Intelligence Service yesterday unmasked an organized "fifth column" plot to seize power in England, it was reported here last night.

Members of the "fifth column" were said to be planning to seize power stations, broadcasting stations and to sabotage railways, it was understood. Holland was said to have provided the clues which led to the discovery of German men and women agents in England. Maps of English factories, telephone exchanges and reservoirs were found in the possession of these Germans, it was said.

The threat of a foreign invasion of England for the first time since 1066 was driven home to Britons as sandbagged machine gun posts were erected on London streets last night.

Troops in full war equipment guarded the nation's nerve centres. Road and river approaches to London were patrolled and barred with barbed wire entanglements. Scores of patrol cars roved London to check on black out violations and possible cases of "fifth column" members signalling to the enemy.—United Press.

Shortage of Iron in Russia Revealed

Stockholm, May 19.

The acute shortage of iron ore in Russia at the present time was revealed at the recent Communist Congress by M. Hrustjev, Secretary of the Ukrainian Communist Party, according to information received by the newspaper "Aftonbladet."

"The Soviet Union," the Communist leader added, "intends to purchase Yugoslavian metals as well as Swedish iron ore to combat this shortage.—Havas.

10,000 Children Sent To Wales

London, May 19.

Ten thousand children were transferred today from east and south coast towns to new reception areas in Wales. The children travelled in sixteen special through trains. Each carried hand luggage and a day's ration.—Reuter.

U.S. Sells Over $17 Millions of Arms

France Still Biggest Customer With Britain, China Next

Washington, May 19.

France continued to be the biggest buyer on the U.S. munitions market in April, taking $12,721,667 worth of aircraft and aircraft parts out of a total of $17,570,000 worth sold, figures released today by the Department of State revealed.

Next on the list of buyers was Great Britain, who purchased materials to the amount of $3,722,756, while China took $375,385 worth of machine-guns and planes.

Export licences for war materials issued in April for future delivery totalled $40,160,290. France was granted $21,923,550, Great Britain $11,156,121, and China $437,415 for aircraft and parts.—Havas.

Battle in France Only In First Phase

Polish Premier Broadcasts Reassuring Statement

Paris, May 19.

Broadcasting to the Polish Nation, General Weadimir Sikorski, Polish Premier, said he was speaking at a particularly grave moment, added: "We are only in the first phase of a great battle which may have many varying fortunes.

"It would be erroneous to exaggerate the significance of local success as to exaggerate provisional retirement. Victory will be, as always, the result of moral and material superiority. These two factors the Allies both possess. Thus calmly, with resolution and steadfast faith, we must await and aid victory in the struggle."—Reuter.

U.S. to Speed Up Plane Deliveries

Washington, May 19.

It is authoritatively reported that President Roosevelt has decided to put the administration's force behind efforts to speed up deliveries of aeroplanes to the Allies.

Ways and means of hastening completion of more than 4,000 'planes at present on order for the Allies will figure prominently at a conference between members of the Government and industrial leaders, according to well-informed aviation circles.—Reuter.

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SLIGHT IMPROVEMENT

Though the week-end saw the capture by the Germans of Brussels, and Antwerp little occurred on Friday, or Saturday to alter the general situation, and while the position is still to be described as serious, not only is it not hopeless, but there are signs of a small degree of betterment so far as the Allies are concerned. They do not appear to have done much towards reducing the bulge which the Germans created when they broke through the extension of the Maginot Line between Sedan and Avesnes, though they appear to have succeeded in slowing down the German advance, which has become practically stationary except for endeavours to force the issue on the Avesnes, Landrecies, Guise, and Vervins sectors. The design behind this particular thrust is obviously to outflank the Allied forces still operating in Belgium, for if they were able to proceed much further to the northwest along this line it would oblige the Allies to withdraw from Belgium into France, a movement which they may still have to make. Apart from the reports concerning the capture of Brussels, and Antwerp the situation in Belgium is still somewhat obscure. The forts of Liege and Namur are holding out despite the enemy's vaunted magnetic-electric ray, and have been exhorted by King Leopold to continue to do so to the end. When it is remembered how quickly Liege was reduced by German heavy artillery at the beginning of the last war it is clear that the fortifications which have since been strengthened present rather more formidable obstacles than they proved to be nearly twenty-six years ago. In the north of Belgium Ghent, and Bruges will obviously be the next objectives of the enemy, and should they be captured the Allies may be expected to fall back at least to the French frontier, thereby shortening their lines and consequently strengthening their position. How soon that will occur depends greatly upon what success the enemy obtains through his attempted advance along the line Avesnes, Landrecies, Guise, Vervins, but on present showing it would seem likely that the Allies will be able to decide when they will fall back, and not have the decision forced upon them.

The magnitude of the gamble upon which Herr Hitler has embarked now stands out plain for all to see. The reckless manner in which he has been throwing his armies into the field, and the enormous losses which have been inflicted upon them in men, and material support the opinion expressed by Mr. Alfred Duff Cooper that he is staking his all on the battle which is now being fought. Should he lose it, he will have lost the war; should he win it he will have merely won the first round, for the Allies are still prepared and well equipped to continue the struggle. It is reported from the United States that Der Fuehrer's present plan is to attempt a drive on Paris, and if he captures the French capital to offer France a separate peace, and then devote himself to the destruction of Great Britain. If that is indeed in his mind it is indicative of how completely mistaken he is regarding the French, and the realistic outlook they have upon the whole matter. Apart from her undoubted loyalty to the Allied cause, of which there can be no question whatever, France clearly understands what sort of peace that would be, for it would merely mean the postponement of Herr Hitler's attentions while he sought to deal with Britain, after which the peace he would have offered France would become just as worthless as so many of his other undertakings. Herr Hitler would dearly like to separate the Allies, and deal with them piecemeal, but that opportunity will be denied him. Indeed he may never reach such a position from which to prosecute such a scheme, for already there are signs that the German armies are in danger of overreaching themselves, the German attacks in France being reported as of not so great violence as previously. Whether that results from the strenuous activities of the Allied air forces behind the German lines is not clear, but in any event it seems that the enemy has been obliged to wait until further reinforcements in men, and material have been sent up to repair the great wastage which the Allied resistance to the German onslaughts has created. One of the important factors in the situation is that Herr Hitler is meeting a resistance in the air such as he has not encountered elsewhere, and he is by no means obtaining that walk-over which superior equipment gave him against the gallantry of the Poles.

In Norway the struggle still progresses for the port of Narvik in the north. There the Allies have been able to improve their air strength, and though the German troops have been forced to evacuate the town they have not yet been forced to surrender. There is indeed a possibility that they will be obliged to retreat into Sweden, but whether they do that or are finally forced to yield their arms to the Allies, the result will be the same. Allied control of the port of Narvik is already in existence, and as an outlet for iron ore to Germany it has no further importance. German attempts to relieve their troops in this area by sea have been brought to naught, considerable damage having been inflicted upon those units making the attempt. Thus, taking the situation as a whole, while there is still room for considerable anxiety, there is not the slightest justification for pessimism or despondency. The enemy can expect to reap no very real material gains in the territory which he is occupying, for the greatest care is taken to ensure the destruction of everything which might prove of value to him. Thus the complete subjugation of Holland brought no rich fuel supplies to the enemy, the precaution having been taken to fire it all before the enemy arrived. The same has been done with transport and communications facilities, with the result that the Germans are still obliged to depend upon themselves, and to continue making heavy demands upon their resources of material which their present mode of warfare inevitably entails. It is to be expected that the enemy will seek to continue his heavy blows with all the rapidity he can command, for the race for victory so far as he is concerned is complicated by the ever-increasing demands upon his stores of material, which are limited. The Allies on the other hand face no such difficulty, and it is only by bringing the Allied forces to battle and destroying them can Herr Hitler hope to succeed. When that battle will be joined it will be for the Allies to decide, and, if they prefer to wait for the moment, it is because of the knowledge that time is still most definitely on their side, and operating very greatly to the enemy's disadvantage.

Plea for St. Dunstan's

The manner in which Britons have responded to the appeal of the local Central British War Fund has earned official commendation in the shape of a communication to Mr. A. H. George, H.M. Consul-General, from the Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, who voiced his admiration for the generous response of the fund's supporters, particularly in view of the adverse conditions prevailing. The statement issued to the local Press and published in these columns yesterday referred to the sums which had been subscribed up to some time in December of last year. Those totals have considerably increased since then. The results which have been obtained are adequate indication of the readiness with which Shanghai Britons are willing to do their utmost for the comfort of the men who are bearing the heat, and burden of this terrific struggle, and it is to be hoped that if there are any who are not contributing to the best of their ability they will take steps to see that such an error is rectified. In connection with the funds which have been selected as recipients of Shanghai's contributions the local committee appears to have been acting on sound and conservative lines, and the sums which had been sent home up to December last have been directed to quarters where they would do most good. But it is to be hoped that the needs of other activities will constantly be borne in mind. In particular it is urged that St. Dunstan's will receive some consideration. That wonderful institution, which did such excellent work amongst the men unfortunate enough to be blinded during the last war, has already made dispositions to meet the demand which it is expected will be made upon them as the result of the present struggle and needs money to carry on. In this connection an editorial recently appearing in "The Times" should prove to be not without interest:

> Many thousands of the young men who went out so eagerly to France in the early months of the last War made the resolution that the spirit of comradeship that they found and tested in the trenches should be cherished for ever after as the inspiration of their peace-time lives. Few of them expected that calls would be made upon it by another war; yet such is very notably the experience of one of the most valuable of the permanent brotherhoods created in those days. The famous society of war-blinded men of St. Dunstan's, which today celebrates the twenty-fifth anniversary of its foundation, does so at a time of steady preparedness to open its ranks, if need be, to possible thousands of fighting men and civilians who may lose their sight through enemy action in the present war. These men will find, as their predecessors of the last generation found, that the impact of their affliction is halved by their prompt matriculation into a vigorous and energetic company, with a respected position in the world. St. Dunstan's is not an almshouse. It is a guild of men who share a considerable handicap, but who share also the courage and discipline that they once offered to their country, and that enable them to face the struggle of life with unabated cheerfulness and confidence.
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> They have always, at St. Dunstan's, discouraged the negative outlook. The disabilities of the blind are set on one side, in order to concentrate on the many things that blind men can do—the useful and profitable work they can perform, and the manifold amusements they can enjoy. It has been their special good fortune to find first-rate leadership among their own number—first that of their founder, SIR ARTHUR PEARSON, who was already a distinguished man when he lost his sight and thereafter devoted himself to the work of St. Dunstan's, and then of their present chairman, SIR IAN FRASER, who first learnt the art of being blind in St. Dunstan's itself, and has since practised it in an eminent public career. There are still 2,000 veterans of the last War on the books of St. Dunstan's, nearly all contentedly making their own way in the world. With the financial help that their countrymen will never grudge to so excellent a cause, all who may suffer like them in this war will have their feet set by St. Dunstan's upon the same path of hope.

Profiteers Warned

The warning which the Municipal Council has addressed to the various provision, and merchants associations, and market dealers on the subject of prices is to say the least timely. In it it is quite plainly stated that though there has been an improvement in the value of the Chinese dollar, there has been little or no decline in the prices charged by certain retail stores, and the point is made that when prices are increased when there is a fall in exchange, they should, unless for reasons satisfactory to the Council, be reduced when the value of the Chinese dollar rises. When prices were fixed some time ago, when it was ascertained how low the Chinese dollar was going, retailers made certain of their profit in the new prices fixed. That was only to be expected of them. Now that the Chinese dollar has improved by almost one penny an extra profit of something in the neighbourhood of thirty per cent. is also being made. If that is not rank profiteering it is difficult to know what is. It has often been said, with very considerable truth, that when prices for foodstuffs and the like have been increased those increases have always come to stay. When the dollar was at normal levels and the spread of fluctuation limited there was comparatively little to complain about, but, as conditions are now, failure to return to the purchasing public any benefit which may accrue from the improvement in the exchange value of the dollar considerably affects the lot of the low wage earning classes. It is to be hoped that the threat contained in the Secretary-General's letter will be implemented if occasion arises. There should be no real difficulty in devising pains, and penalties calculated to establish control over even the most rapacious profiteers, and it is eminently desirable that full cooperation should be established between the two municipalities in order that the public shall not be victimized in the manner which it is being at present.

Hier Reichssender Berlin

"Liebe Hoerer und Hoererinnen" said the radio reporter of Dr. Goebbel's Ministry of Information on Saturday evening, Shanghai time, "I have taken you right to the front so that you too, in your cosy homes may have an inkling of what der Fuehrer's brave 'Jungens' are doing against those barbarous French and British troops, those men of degenerated nations who dared oppose der Fuehrer's brave struggle for 'lebensraum'. Vat you chust heard was the detonation of one of our big Berthas. From here I can see the devastating results of that single shell. Thousands, literally many thousands of British troops, have been torn to pieces. The others are running back, they don't want no more of our 'Kanonen'. Ha, just as I say dese words, one of our brave flying officers is piloting his plane dangerously near to the French lines, one wing is already shot away but still he carries on in the name of der Fuehrer. Der Fuehrer asked for sacrifices, we give them. We ask no questions, we starve, we are killed, we put up with all the privations of a war, merely to gain that 'lebensraum', and even if the Dutch did not leave their precious diamonds in Amsterdam, we will get them later when our London 'gauleiter' will confiscate them from the Dutch Queen." And somewhat along these lines, the brave radio commentator went on for quite some time. Whenever a German artillery unit fired, he made mention of it, usually giving the devastating results of each shell. Not unlike the clairvoyants whom Hitler threw into concentration camps after his advent to power, since he feared that they would tell the population when, according to the crystal, his era would be over, this commentator went on and on. The disgruntled masses left behind, had to be supplied with pleasant news since they were unable to get other and more vital supplies for their physical well-being. Suddenly he interrupted his tirade to tell his listeners that a group of British prisoners were just being brought back from the advance lines. Foot-steps were heard, and those same British prisoners who, probably had never been given the opportunity to stand behind the giving end of the B.B.C.'s organization, obligingly answered his questions, in calm and friendly voices..... and in impeccable German! They readily told him from what walks of life they came and in what their injuries—a previous question to the men had revealed that four of them had been hurt—consisted. It seems hardly conceivable that German civilians, no matter how little they have come into contact with actual hostilities, should swallow these doses of propaganda. Still, the broadcast was not intended for listeners in Allied nations. All its mission consisted in was to make Mr. and Mrs. German forget how many of their sons had lost their lives in Hitler's mad and futile attempt to gain control over the world within a few months. It will be interesting to await the broadcasts that will be emitted by Berlin when the tables, after the present battle, are turned.

THE OLDEST GOLF CLUB

Honourable Company's Rules of 1744

The question as to which is the oldest golf club in the world is a controversial topic that has been hotly debated in the past, the arguments put forward by different authorities being as lengthy as they are often complicated. On entering the magnificent lounge of the Honourable Company of Edinburgh Golfers, at Muirfield, a room only equalled perhaps by the lounge of the Royal and Ancient Club, this question arises again, on account of what appears to be a faded scroll of parchment that hangs, neatly framed, on the wall.

Closer examination shows it to be covered with writing, the ink turned brown by the passage of time. This interesting manuscript has roused widespread comment among golfing historians in that its content calls for the revision of several important pages in the history of the game.

In the past it has been commonly agreed that the earliest set of rules in existence were those found in the first minute of the Royal and Ancient Club, when it was instituted on May 14, 1754, the assumption being that they were compiled by the Royal and Ancient authorities. Certain people, however, have maintained, from time to time, that there was a distinct possibility that these rules were originally taken from the Gentlemen Golfers. As a result the first minute books of the Honourable Company, covering a period from 1744 to 1781, were examined closely, with remarkable success. A set of rules which, it is claimed, cannot be later than 1751, and which may be regarded as having been inserted in the minute book in 1744, was brought to light.

One cannot at this time attempt to delve into the various side-issues created by this discovery; suffice it to say that the claims put forward by the Honourable Company merit the closest attention, as can be seen from their summing-up, after careful study, of their findings. The "Articles and Laws in Playing Golf," which are preserved in the first minute of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club, are shown to be the rules of the Honourable Company, or, as they were then called, the Gentlemen Golfers; that the date of their insertion, 1744, makes these rules the earliest set of rules in existence.

To compress their conclusions into even briefer form, the Honourable Company claims to possess written evidence of its existence over a longer period than any other golf club in the world, as well as being the earliest law-givers.

Game Enriched by Contributions of Club

Even apart from this unique discovery, the annals of the game have been greatly enriched by the contributions of this famous old club, and, if it had not been for the war, yet another page would have been added this season, for Muirfield was to have been the venue of the British Amateur Championship. That, however, is a pleasure which will have to remain in abeyance for the duration. Last season many golfers were looking forward to the event being staged at Muirfield, for it has the reputation of never having a dull championship.

Just before the last war Braid won the Open for the second time, and it was also here that Ted Ray, the master *par excellence* of the niblick, who has just announced his retirement from tournament play, won his only victory in the same event. The withdrawal of this fine old player from the competitive ranks has left a gap among those of the older school that will not soon be replaced. His familiar figure, with the inevitable pipe, will be greatly missed both by the golfing galleries and his fellow professionals.

Of the Amateur Championships played at Muirfield, those that brought the most joy to the hearts of the club members were the two successes of Robert Maxwell, who knows every inch of the course, as was apparent when he took part in the Army Championship held here a few seasons ago. Many regard the club's magnificent painting of this grand golfer as being supremely natural. It does justice to a man who has exercised in his time far-reaching influences upon the affairs of the game. It was Maxwell who presided at that memorable meeting held at Edinburgh shortly after the last war, when the Royal and Ancient was asked to assume control of the major events. But perhaps the most exciting result of Amateur Championships played on this course was when Cyril Tolley defeated Robert Gardner at the 37th, then a short hole, now regrettably no more, by sinking his putt for a winning 2.

IN PARENTHESIS

Unsociable

THE big sailor was home on leave, and was celebrating in the local inn. After consuming about ten pints, he suddenly glared round the bar and shouted: "Anybody here want a fight?"

The locals were all busy with their drinks. Again he shouted: "Anybody here want a fight?" But again he received no answer.

He drank his beer, turned round and said: "Well, you're the most unsociable lot of blighters I've ever met."

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Fourpence Saved

THE minister spoke to one of his flock after the service.

"Aye," said Mac, "yon was a powerful discourse on thrift ye preached."

"I'm glad you were able to profit by it," said the minister, with satisfaction.

"Profit! Why, mon, I would have sloshed ma saxpence into the plate wi'oot a thought if it hadna been for your providential words. They saved me fourpence there and then."

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Deaf

Two men, total strangers to each other, were seated in a railway compartment. Presently one looked at the other for a few minutes, and then cried in dismay:

"I've dreaded this all my life! I always knew my hearing wasn't good, but I never expected to go stone deaf."

"What's the trouble?" asked the other.

"Well, you've been speaking to me for some time and I haven't heard one word."

"Speaking to you? I'm not—I'm just chewing gum."

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Fair Exchange

"Now, my lad," said the head of the house, "you must get rid of that dog you brought home a fortnight ago. He's a nuisance and barks too much."

"Oh, Dad!" began the youngster dolefully.

"Yes, get rid of him, and I'll give you half a crown."

The next day little Billy asked for the half-crown.

"He's gone, Dad," he explained.

"Good!" said his father, handing over the money. "How did you manage to get rid of him?"

"I swapped him for three puppies."

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Contractor's Error

A NEW Yorker drove his visiting country cousin round the town, pointing out the various wonders of the metropolis. He slowed his car before a tall building.

"Look at this building," the New Yorker cried proudly. "It's one hundred storeys high."

The farmer nodded slowly.

"Doggone fine building," he admitted. "Makes yer haid spin jest to look up at it."

The pair drove a mile down-town, and the city man paused to signal out another building.

"Here's a new skyscraper," he informed.

The farmer stroked his chin.

"Fifty storeys, eh?" he drawled. "What made them stop in the middle?"

Nazis Gain in France At Tremendous Cost

Headway Made in Landrecies, Guise Sectors As Major Battle Rages with Undimmed Fury; Allies Withdrawing as Planned in Belgium

Paris, May 19.

THE powerful German thrust into France made some headway yesterday as the German High Command continued to sacrifice huge numbers of men and machines to enlarge the pocket they have carved out of French territory. The bulk of the fighting took place in the region between Landrecies and Guise. On the left wing of the Allied line in northern Belgium, French, British and Belgian troops are at present carrying out large-cale strategic movements, the details of which are shrouded in secrecy. The General Staff will only say that the movements are "going forward without difficulties."

From Switzerland to Montmeay there is nothing to report but between Sedan and Laon the Germans have not developed any large offensive movement though a large number of violent and more or less individual combats are occurring mainly in the region north of Rethel. The French have launched a number of counter-attacks and have retaken several villages. North-west of Laon the Germans pushed forward large reconnaissance units, which encountered violent resistance, though operation did not employ the great masses of tanks being used previously. German detachments have reached the canal between the Sambre and the Oise, and it is possible that the attacking troops in this region may try to reach Saint Quentin. Nonetheless, it is between Landrecies and Guise the great battle of the campaign is being fought. Tanks, artillery and planes are being recklessly expended in an effort to gain a solid foothold on French soil.

The battle in this region raged all day yesterday and far into the night, starting again early this morning with the same ferocity. Competent military quarters point out, however, that the German tactics of sudden leaps forward no longer take the Allies by surprise, and the Nazis' advance does not even remotely compare with the progress made in the first days of the offensive against Luxembourg and even the French Ardennes.

In the Sedan region, the Germans are organising defensive positions in the sectors held by them, rather than concentrating on further advances.

Vast Allied Movement

A strategic operation on a vast scale was pursued by the Allies north of the River Sambre yesterday, the Havas war correspondent reported from the lines last night.

The Allied movements were not hindered by Nazi pressure, he reported.

Between the Sambre and Aisne Rivers, hard fighting occurred round Avesnes and west of Vervins, but the enemy attacks were notably of less violence than on Friday. The Germans were unable to register any advances of importance in the Avesnes, Landrecies, Vervins or Guise sectors this afternoon.

Effective Allied aerial operations are to be given a great deal of credit for the failure of the German mechanized units to continue their drive with the same intensity as heretofore, the Havas correspondent added. Their operations were particularly effective against enemy transports of fuel and supplies.

Authoritative French military quarters yesterday categorically denied German Radio claims that motorized units had occupied Saint-Quentin, Soissons and Laon. They declared they normally ignore German propaganda claims, but in this instance felt a denial was required.

The air raid alarm which was sounded in Paris early yesterday morning was caused by the approach of two enemy formations of eight planes each. Four of the German planes were shot down, three by "archie" fire and one by French pursuit planes.

French Communique

Fighting on the northern fringe of France yesterday raged chiefly in the Guise and Landrecies areas, respectively west of Vervins and Avesnes, where the Germans attempted to advance westward, a French General Staff communique revealed yesterday evening. "Fighting as strenuous as before continued all day," it began, "notably in the Guise and Landrecies region, where the enemy attacked with powerful means in a westerly direction despite considerable losses. There is nothing important to report from the rest of the front. Our bombing planes continued to harass the enemy's motorized columns, which suffered heavily. Numerous reconnaissance flights was also carried out and many enemy planes were shot down by our anti-aircraft defence as well as by our pursuits."

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Withdrawals Made In Belgium

Defenders of Liege And Namur Praised For Holding Out

London, May 19.

"The systematic withdrawal carried out in the last two or three days by the Belgian army was effected in favourable conditions," declares a Belgian communiqué issued somewhere in Belgium. "The prescribed movements," it continues, "were carried out in good order. The enemy, embarrassed by our demolitions, did not succeed in exercising strong pressure on our troops, who retired and broke contact without suffering losses. The withdrawal operations unfortunately entailed the abandonment of Brussels and Antwerp. These cities suffered no considerable damage. The forts of Liege and Namur are continuing their heroic resistance."—Reuter.

King's Message to Fortresses

Ostend, May 18.

A message from King Leopold to the men in the Liege and Namur fortresses, urging them to resist to the last, was broadcast this evening by Belgian Radio from "somewhere in Belgium." The king's message was brief and stated only: "Commanders, officers, non-commissioned officers and soldiers of Liege and Namur forts; resist to the last for our country. I am proud of you."

Belgian Radio also broadcast a message from the people of Belgium to the defenders of the two forts which, beleaguered by overwhelming German forces, are still holding out. The message read: "The Belgium people express their deep admiration for the heroic defenders of the Liege and Namur forts, which are resisting enemy assaults to the end. By their spirit of sacrifice, they give an example of the finest virtues of our race. We ask them to accept our profound gratitude for their generous and efficient help in the defence of our beloved country."—Havas.

German Planes Bomb Ostend

In Belgium, May 19.

German planes bombed Ostend on Friday night and Saturday morning. —Havas.

Organized Destruction

Paris, May 19.

A voluntary organized withdrawal of Allied and Dutch troops from Belgium and the Zeeland Islands was accompanied by the destruction of important points, chiefly in the Zeeland region, which might be of use to the advancing Germans. All military and naval works, including those at Flushing, as well as oil tanks and navy yards, have been rendered useless. All aviation equipment has already been transferred to Allied soil.

The Dutch contingents successfully effected a junction with the Allied troops after withdrawing, and are now fighting by their side.—Havas.

Mr. Churchill to Broadcast

London, May 19.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, was to broadcast tonight at 8 o'clock (4 a.m. Shanghai time) on a news programme.

He is expected to make a statement on the latest developments on the Western Front when the House of Commons reassembles May 21, and it is likely a similar statement will be given to the House of Lords.—Reuter.

U.S. Opinion Veers Towards Allies

Direct Aid Favoured to Support Democracies

New York, May 19.

A vigorous controversy is arising over the question of giving all possible immediate support to the Allies.

Indicating a big swing-over in opposition opinion, the "New York Times" reports that 50 Republican leaders from middle western states told Mr. Robert Taft, Republican presidential candidate, that if he submitted to popular vote in their regions a proposal for direct aid to the Allies short of entry into the war it would be passed by a decided majority.

On the other hand, some prominent Americans still express strong isolationist views.—Reuter.

Gallup Poll Shows Change

New York, May 19.

No less than 51 per cent. of American voters believe that the United States will enter the war on the Allied side, according to the latest Gallup poll. A similar poll taken on October showed that 46 per cent. believed the U.S. would soon become a belligerent nation, while a February poll revealed that the figure had dropped to 32 per cent.—Havas.

Swedish Press Impressed

Stockholm, May 19.

Commenting on the possibility of active American intervention in the European conflict, Stockholm newspapers revealed themselves to be deeply impressed by the support given President Roosevelt by all parties.—Havas.

B.E.F. Rushing To Aid French In Sambre Area

Nazi Flank and Front Attacked; London Sees Situation Improving

Paris, May 19.

British reinforcements are reported to be streaming across France to the big battle between the Sambre and Sedan. British mechanized units are stated to have been rushed against the flank and front of the advancing Germans.—Reuter.

British Front Holds

London, May 19.

"The British front yesterday was held firmly in the face of strong enemy pressure," the official British communique remarked briefly today. —Havas.

Nazis Expect Counter-Attack

The Rome radio, quoting authoritative military circles in Berlin today, said the German High Command was expecting a French counter-attack from the south and was making preparations for this eventuality. The same circles state that once the German troops have consolidated their positions along the Oise they would be in a position to attack the Maginot line proper from the rear, even if it should prove impossible to continue their advance towards Paris.

Situation Improving

London, May 19.

Reuter learns from well-informed quarters in London that the situation on the West Front yesterday was still very serious, but was certainly no worse, however, and in fact, might be described as a little better.

The German advance on the French front has slackened very much, although possibly only temporarily. The exhaustion of the German units is most apparent.

South of the Sambre, the Germans have thrown into battle over half the total number of tanks they possess.

The Germans' claim to have broken the Maginot Line is untrue. The Maginot Line proper ends at Montmedy.

A new form of "fifth column" activity is being employed in Belgium and France, where German agents have passed among refugees in order to spread rumours designed to produce confusion, doubt and mistrust. Parachute troops are being dropped close behind the lines. These tactics are intended to be and are demoralizing but the Allies are becoming used to their methods.

While the situation is very serious, it in no way represents the catastrophic picture painted by some rumour mongers.—Reuter.

Return to Original Positions

London, May 19.

An Allied withdrawal from Belgium was predicted by the military expert of the "Evening News" in an article published yesterday. "The retirement to the neighbourhood of their original positions on the Franco-Belgian border must now be expected," he said.—United Press.

Nazi Claim Further Successes

"Two French Towns Captured, 110,000 Prisoners Taken"

Berlin, May 19.

A German High Command communique issued from Herr Hitler's headquarters says: "Now the last resistance of inland Walcheren has been broken and the whole of Holland with all her islands is in German hands.

"In northern Belgium our troops, after the occupation of Antwerp, are pushing the enemy, who is fighting tenaciously, farther back to the west. To the west of Antwerp the Schelde has been crossed and to the west of Brussels the sector of Dendre has been reached. Between Maubeuge and Lafere the attack is being continued. The Sambre and Oise have been crossed the Lecateau and St. Quentin are in German hands.

"In the southern sector, strong German units reached the region north of Laon and Aisne near Rethel. During engagements north-west of Montmedy a strongly fortified position, No. 505, of the Maginot line was captured.

"So far 110,000 prisoners of war have been counted, excluding the Dutch Army, and also numerous guns. Off the French coast a 6,000-ton cargo ship was sunk and a destroyer seriously damaged.

"The enemy lost 147 planes, of which 47 were shot down during air combats and 13 by anti-aircraft fire, the remainder being destroyed on the ground while 27 German planes are missing."—Reuter.

Australians Arrive In Palestine

Jerusalem, May 19.

A contingent of the Second Australian Imperial Force arrived in Palestine this morning at the conclusion of a 10,000-mile journey.—Reuter.

American Republics Protest to Nazis Over Invasion of Low Countries

Attack Called Unjustified and Cruel Violation Of Neutrality and Sovereignty

Panama City, May 19.

The Foreign Minister, Dr. Narciso Garay, yesterday announced the text of the Pan American protest against the German invasion of the Lowlands.

"In accordance with the principles of international law and with the application of resolutions adopted by them in continental conferences," the protest said, "the American states consider unjustifiable and cruel the violation by Germany of the neutrality and sovereignty of Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg.

"In clauses four and five of the tenth article (referring to the maintenance of international activities within the framework of Christian morality) of the consultative conference celebrated at Panama in 1939, it was established that the violation of neutrality or the invasion of weak peoples as a means of the prosecution of the triumphs of wars would justify the protest of the American nations against non-compliance with the canons of international law and the demands of justice.

"Therefore the American countries resolve to protest against the military attacks against Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg and at the same time make an appeal for the re-establishment of right and justice in the relations between peoples."—United Press.

Belgian Defences Which Delayed Nazis

Part of the Belgian defence line, whose heavy concrete pill-boxes managed to delay the German Blitzkreig offensive sufficiently long for the British and French troops to come to the aid of the hard-pressed Belgian army. This picture, taken before the latest phase of the war, shows sentries on the alert, their eyes towards the German border.

Hero of Verdun Joins War Cabinet of France

Marshal Petain Made Vice-Premier; M. Mandel, Clemenceau's Disciple, Now Home Minister

Paris, May 18.

REVEALING that German mechanized units today enlarged the pocket they carved out of French lines south of the Meuse, the Premier, M. Paul Reynaud, announced tonight partial reorganization to strengthen his Cabinet. M. Reynaud emphasized in his broadcast to the nation that Marshal Philippe Petain, famous "Victor of Verdun," has entered the Cabinet as Vice-Premier and minister without portfolio to give technical advice on military matters. "The Government's duty is to act," the Premier declared. "The people expect from their Government not words, but action. All our thoughts today are directed toward the sacrifices of our soldiers. There are also the moral and physical sufferings of their families, refugees and victims of enemy bombings. The greatness of our people is that in circumstances like these they forget their own sufferings to think only of the country's peril.

"I told you yesterday," the Premier continued, "that the enemy had succeeded in carving out a large pocket south of the Meuse. Since then, this pocket has been enlarged westward. The situation today is serious, but not at all desperate. And it is in such circumstances that the French people show their true colours.

"It is the Government's duty to act," M. Reynaud reaffirmed, "and it has acted.

"We have made the following decisions: Marshal Petain, the victor of Verdun, thanks to whom the aggressors of 1916 could not pass, and thanks to whom the morale of the French Army in 1917 rose to victory, returned this morning from Madrid, where he rendered such good service to France.

"Marshal Petain is henceforth at our side as State Minister and Vice-Premier and will place all his wisdom and energy at the service of the country until victory is gained.

"Tiger's Cub" Takes Post

"In the present circumstances," M. Reynaud told the French people, "the head of the Government must bear the heaviest responsibilities and control national defence: so I took over the War Ministry, while M. Edouard Daladier has taken back the Foreign Affairs portfolio and M. Georges Mandel, Clemenceau's disciple, is taking over the Home Ministry.

"France's foreign policy and her representation abroad," the Premier continued, "will be given maximum efficiency by new diplomatic nominations which are about to be announced. All French administration must be adapted to the war. War spirit must prevail. In business offices as elsewhere, every mistake will be immediately punished. Every Frenchman, whether in the Army or behind it, must take an oath to vanquish the enemy."

Reasons for Change

President Albert Lebrun received the new Foreign Minister, M. Edouard Daladier, this afternoon and explained to him the reasons for M. Reynaud's decision to combine his Premier's duties with those of War Minister, which were previously handled by M. Daladier.

The head of the Government, the president stated, must be responsible for the national defence and war services of the country to ensure the greatest efficiency and speed in the excution of all decisions.

M. Daladier, who held the War portfolio when he was Premier, replied that he fully understood the needs of the situation.

French parliamentarians welcomed the rapid changes made by M. Reynaud.

Political observers remarked particularly on the recall of Marshal Petain, "Victor of Verdun" in 1916, from Madrid where he acted as first French Ambassador to Nationalist Spain.

M. Rollin's place is taken in the reshuffled Cabinet by the Deputy, M. Barety, member of the Alliance Republicaine party and its representative in the Chamber of Deputies since 1919. He was under-secretary of Education and of the Treasury in the first and second Tardieu Cabinets of 1929 and 1930.

M. Mandel's appointment to the Home Ministry was particularly well received in all political quarters because the former Colonies Minister is well known for his energy and decisiveness, which should prove of the greatest value in routing out any "fifth column" agents that there may be in France.—Havas.

"Grand Old Man" Now 84

Paris, May 19.

The re-shuffle of the Cabinet makes for a further strengthening of the Government. The most dramatic change is the inclusion of "Grand Old Man" Petain, who is remarkably active, despite his 84 years. M. Paul Reynaud, at the War Ministry, will have the benefit of Marshal Petain's sage advice on vital matters.—Reuter.

Il Duce Refuses to Commit Himself

Reply Sent President Roosevelt; Agitation Continues in Italy

Rome, May 19.

Signor Benito Mussolini yesterday replied to the personal appeal from President Roosevelt received some time last week. It is learned that Il Duce does not commit himself in his reply.

The news that the Italian steamer Rex passed Gibraltar for Naples without being submitted to Contraband Control was regarded by certain circles as a sign of slackening in the tension in Anglo-Italian relations. The news, however, was not published in the newspapers. They have published a dispatch from Genoa declaring that the liner Roma was stopped for 30 hours at Gibraltar, and that tons of oil were confiscated, while British officers ripped open mattresses, and even the lining of clothing of the crew. The dispatch does not mention that the control examination of the Roma occurred on May 6.

Articles last night dealt with Italy's vital interest in the Balkans. "Italian interests in the Balkan territories are not an improvization," they said, "but represent part of the life, security and constructive desire which have always existed in the history of the Italian peninsula."

Reference to Germany's lack of petrol was made by Signor Ansaldo, the editor of Count Galeazzo Ciano's paper "Il Telegrafo" in a weekly broadcast to Italian troops. Signor Ansaldo added that despite this Germany had coal and cellulose in great quantity and with these two raw materials the nation could go forward.—Reuter.

Italy Still Uncertain Factor

Rome, May 19.

Italy remained the big question mark in European affairs with her intentions and attitude still shrouded in mists of suspense. It was generally believed in Rome that active military intervention by Italy would follow closely on the launching of the German attack against the Low Countries, but it is now the tenth day since the German war machine reared into action, and despite Germany's initial military successes, Italy has yet to move. Some quarters believe that Italy's "hour" is more remote than generally thought, and that Signor Benito Mussolini may continue for some time at least to embarrass the Allies by vituperative verbal attacks.

Italy, it is pointed out, has nothing to gain by forcing the issue. Intervention on her part would be unwise while a powerful combined British and French fleet is in the Mediterranean, and Italian action would precipitate the entrance of Turkey, and possibly Yugoslavia, into the melee.

Moreover, the outspoken American reaction to the German invasion has not failed to impress the Fascist Government which now consider with much less scepticism than before the possibility of the United States entering the war.—Havas.

East Indies to Pay for Troop Transport

Batavia, May 19.

The Government of the Dutch East Indies has announced its willingness to pay the fares of all Dutch reserves and soldiers abroad who volunteer for military service in the Dutch East Indies.—Reuter.

Appeal Made for Dutch War Victims

The Netherlands Chargé d'Affaires has launched an appeal for contributions to be devoted to the Netherlands war victims. Any gifts may be deposited with the Netherlands Trading Society or the Netherlands India Commercial Bank at Shanghai.

Chinese to Raise Fund for Belgians

Gratitude for Help Given By Low Countries Will Be Shown by Contributions

Chinese citizens in Shanghai who are sympathetic with the Belgians in their national crisis are starting a campaign to raise funds for wounded Belgian soldiers and refugees. A contribution plan is reported by the leading Chinese newspapers to have been drawn up by Messrs. Tsai Sukong, a physician and social worker who has been director of a hospital established by the Belgians for giving medical aid to the Chinese, and Chang Tsung-jen, a well known Belgian-educated Chinese sculptor.

They are reported to have made the plan which they will submit to the Belgian Ambassador today for approval after which a contribution campaign will be formally started. Considerable space is devoted by the Chinese press to the Belgian appeal for relief and it is strongly urged that the Chinese should do their utmost, for that most friendly country which has done its utmost for the Chinese both financially and medically during the present Sino-Japanese hostilities.

Traditional Friends

In a news article, the "Shun Pao" describes China and Belgium as traditional friends, explaining that their relations have becomes close since the exchange of ambassadors. The Belgian civilization is said to be comparable to that of the Chinese and the progress made by Belgians in arts is said to have astonished the world, which accounts for the fact that many Chinese have gone to that country for further education.

It is stated that the Chinese of all walks of life, Belgian-educated Chinese students, and well-wishers and friends of the Belgian authorities in China have agreed to raise relief funds, despite difficulties, to show their close relations with and sympathy for the Belgians. For the purpose of arousing Chinese interest in the forthcoming campaign, the Belgian contribution of $1,000,000 at one instance for the Chinese and the establishment of two hospitals for the Chinese by the Belgians are mentioned as important aid received by China.

King George Praises R.A.F. For Magnificent Work

Britain Never to Bomb Open Towns Despite Such Nazi Actions; Enemy Forces Incessantly Strafed

London, May 19.

CONGRATULATIONS have been sent by the King to the Royal Air Force for the splendid work they are doing. His Majesty's message read: "During my visit to the headquarters of the Bomber Command, I was able to hear more of the epic deeds of the bomber force in recent weeks. Coupled with the arduous, unceasing duties of the Coastal Command, and the heroic exploits of the fighter squadron in this country and in France, they make an immortal story—a story which fills the whole Empire, whose sons are now fighting in all three branches, with gratitude and admiration.

"I congratulate the R.A.F. with all my heart and wish them good luck and continued success. The matchless spirit they have shown makes the final victory of the Allies doubly sure."

Despite the German air force's wanton and repeatcd attacks on undefended towns in Poland, Norway, France, Holland and Belgium, the British Government will steadfastly adhere to its policy of refraining from bombing non-military objectives, it is officially announced. Statements that the Royal Air Force has deliberately bombed civilian or non-military objectives, are completely untrue, and are obviously designed to prepare the way for the extension to Britain of the inhuman methods the Germans have used in other countries, the announcement concludes.

Bombers of the Royal Air Force carried out further successful operations against enemy communications and bases, the Air Ministry announced. Daylight attacks were made on enemy troops and focal points in northern France. At night enemy road and railway junctions in Belgium were heavily bombed. Night operations in Germany covered an extensive area and a number of important military objectives were hit by heavy bombs, the statement said. The crews of three planes are missing.

Enemy Supplies Strafed

In the area north-west of Namur, extensive operations were carried out on Friday night on road and rail communications used by the enemy's advancing columns, according to an announcement by the Air Ministry. Bridges and railway tracks were hit, aerodromes were bombed and a large supply convoy was damaged by machine-gun fire. Intense air activity continues over the fighting front.

In a recent engagement, nine Hurricane fighters shot down ten dive-bombers without loss. A Blenheim aircraft, while over Bergen, shot down a Messerschmitt 110, which crashed into a mountain. A Hudson aircraft, while patrolling over the North Sea, attacked a convoy of merchant ships with bombs. One enemy vessel was damaged.

Describing how nine Hurricane fighters shot down ten Junkers dive-bombers in one engagement in France on Friday, it is officially announced that twenty enemy bombers were seen to be circling over a wood. The leading section of the Hurricanes dived in an attack, while the other two remained above on guard. When they saw no escort protecting the bombers, they too came down to join the fight. All the Hurricanes returned safely to their bases.

R.A.F. Holding to Bases in France

The Royal Air Force is holding on with determination to its advanced bases in France despite the severe battering which the advanced striking force, operating from them, received in the first week of the *blitzkrieg* as a result of the enemy's numerical superiority, telegraphs Reuter's special correspondent with the R.A.F. in France.

The considerable damage which the force has suffered from German dive-bombing attacks—equal in fierceness to that which broke up the Polish air force completely in as many days—has not broken its spirit or means of retaliation.

While the bombing of German troops and other objectives continues, British fighters are successfully countering to a large extent the waves of German aircraft at the head of German tank columns south of the river Sambre.

Details of yesterday's operations are not yet available, but one patrol of six Hurricanes engaged 40 Messerschmitts and shot down six. Last night it was claimed that another handful of British pilots brought down 15 more German aircraft of different types.—Reuter.

Gen. Guillaumat Dies

Paris, May 18.

General Guillaumat, former French War Minister, died today at Nantes at the age of 76.—Havas.

Nazis Gamble for Highest Stakes

British Confidence Again Expressed by Information Minister; R.A.F. Praised

London, May 19.

"We await each scrap of news with deep concern, but also with deep confidence," declared Mr. A. Duff-Cooper, the Minister of Information, in a broadcast yesterday.

"One reason for confidence is that the enemy is playing for far higher stakes than we are. We may win or lose this battle, but if we lose it we shall not have lost the war.

"If Germany loses it, she will lose the war as well. That is why she has thrown into battle the whole of the vast accumulated force she has been building up both before and since the coming of the Nazis.

"Like a roulette gambler, she has staked all her vast resources upon red. If black turns up, it will be a black day indeed for her.

"This battle is not very different from most of the battles in the last war, which began with a tremendous push, and which gradually slowed down, ending in exhaustion for the attackers and advantage to the defenders.

"The Germans have broken through on a broad front, not on the Maginot Line, but only on a recent continuation of it which had never been considered impregnable. Perhaps the most remarkable feature of the battle so far has been the gallantry and efficiency of the Royal Air Force."

French Appreciation

Mr. Duff Cooper read a message from Paris expressing "approbation of every Frenchman for the heroism of the R.A.F., which will be a decisive factor in saving France."

There are astonishing stories of what our young pilots have accomplish during the last few days and nights, said Mr. Duff Cooper.

"What is the explanation for their superiority in operations?" he asked. "The Germans are skilled pilots and brave men. Maybe our machines are better than theirs, but that is not the whole explanation. In Oliver Cromwell's words: 'The best soldier is the soldier who knows what he is fighting for, and loves what he knows. Our boys are fighting for the liberty of mankind, Mr. Duff Cooper concluded.

Eight to One

The Minister, in a tribute to the R.A.F., then recounted how on Friday morning five Hurricanes when on patrol met a formation of 40 Messerschmitt 110's.

"In spite of the odds—eight to one—they immediately attacked, and in the dog fight which followed shot down no less than six of the enemy.

"In the course of the fight one Hurricane was shot down, but the pilot saved himself by parachute and was soon back at his aerodrome, and another Hurricane was disabled but the pilot managed to bring it home."—Reuter.

"If Hitler Stopped Now, It Will Be for Ever," Washington Hears from Paris

Eleven of Reich's Twelve Mechanized Divisions Engaged; Nazis Expend Force; Londoners Calm

New York, May 19.

Very high quarters in Washington have received by telephone uncensored information from equally high quarters in Paris, according to the "New York Post." This information stated that the "French have definitely established that eleven of Germany's twelve mechanized divisions have been engaged and have suffered losses. Over 1,500 German planes have been destroyed.

"So much of German strength is being expended that the Nazis will never be able to organize another assault on such a large scale. Therefore, though the situation is of the utmost gravity, the French Government is certain that if Hitler is stopped now, he will be stopped for ever," the statement declared.—Reuter.

Britain Remains Unruffled

London, May 19.

While Londoners, and the British people generally, are following war news with stern determination, their daily life continues undisturbed. Theatres and cinemas are crowded, and road and rail traffic is normal. But for the newspapers, posters, uniforms in the streets and ballon barrages overhead, the city maintains an unruffled appearance.

Saturday evening newspapers gave usual prominence to sports items, interspersed with news from France and Belgium. While expressing concern over the German "bulge" into Allied lines, ordinary Britons are sustained by the conviction that the present setback is only temporary. Moreover, they are heartened by the splendid performances of the Royal Air Force.—Reuter.

British Public Calm

London, May 19.

The public is awaiting further news from the front calmly. Although the importance of the actions, which began with a German hammer blow against French defences to the west of Sedan, is now fully realized, there are no signs of nervousness. New opportunities to serve are eagerly seized, as in the case of the local defence volunteer force. The appeal for this force has had an overwhelming response.

Opinion is reassured by the knowledge of complete understanding existing between the British and French governments. That understanding expresses the will of the two peoples, and is therefore independent of changes of personnel such as result from the recent reconstruction of the British Government under Mr. Churchill and M. Reynaud's reconstruction of the French Ministry.

The name of Marshal Petain, associated as it always will be with the heroic defence of Verdun, inspires the same confidence in Britain as in France. The result of Mr. Churchill's visit to Paris on Thursday has given satisfaction both in France and Britain. The unity of feeling and purpose which has grown up between the two peoples under stress of the common struggle is notably illustrated by the manner in which the minds and hearts of the British public have responded to General Gamelin's Order of the Day "conquer or die."—British Official Wireless.

Mr. Attlee to Be Deputy Leader of Commons

Mr. Chamberlain Retains Conservative Leadership

London, May 19.

It was announced from No. 10 Downing Street last night that so far as his duties permit, the Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, will lead the House of Commons, but that in view of pressure of events Mr. Churchill has asked Mr. C. R. Attlee, Lord Privy Seal—to act as deputy leader.

The arrangement is in harmony with the Premier's desire to stress the national and all-party character of his administration formed to prosecute the war to victory. This desire was manifest in a letter which Mr. Churchill sent to Mr. Chamberlain a few days ago regarding leadership of the Conservative Party.

He writes: "My dear Neville, you have been good enough to consult me about leadership of the Conservative Party. I am, of course, a Conservative. But as Prime Minister of a National Government formed on the widest basis and comprising three parties, I feel it would be better for me not to undertake leadership of any one political party. I, therefore, express the hope that your own leadership of our party will remain undisturbed by the change of government or premiership, and I feel sure by this arrangement the cause of national unity will best be served. The relations of perfect confidence which have grown up between us make this division of duties and responsibilities very agreeable to me —British Official Wireless.

Turkish Army Chief Leaves for Beyrout

Istanbul, May 19.

Field-Marshal Fevsi Cakmak, Commander in Chief of the Turkish Army, accompanied by several of his General Staff officers, departed from Ankara by special train yesterday afternoon en route to Beyrout. The suddenness of Marshal Cakmak's departure and the secrecy surrounding his plans were seen in informed circles as presaging "extraordinary events" in the Near East.—United Press.

Allied Armies Move to Front Without Hitch

Amazing Transportation Feat of Moving French And British Forces Across Belgium Described

With French Army in Belgium, May 19.

ON one of the ten main highways across Belgium the Allied armies rolled into action last night in complete darkness, practically silent and methodically, without the slightest traffic jam. The endless line of huge trucks filled with troops was absolutely invisible to German bombers flying low overhead, writes the United Press correspondent. This operation follows the tremendous feat of moving the French and British armies into Belgium and Holland in the first 72 hours of the war, despite every possible means of interference from the Germans. The accomplishment must eventually rank as one of the most outstanding events of the whole war.

Now that the major operation of transporting troops has been completed, it is possible to state that the French and British armies reached their designated sectors in the lowlands with the fewest possible casualties and, at the end of the third day, the whole expedition was six hours ahead of schedule. During that 72-hour operation, 26 German planes were shot down directly over the convoys.

This proved both the extent of the German attempt at interference and the efficiency of the Allied air defences, which are a vital security to the armies intended to reinforce the Belgians and Dutch. One French captain alone shot down six German planes in that protective operation. The whole plan which proved so successful in practice was worked out in theory by a single officer of the French general staff in Paris.

Two Complete Plans Ready

Previously the movements of armies were rigidly fixed by schedules depending on whether the troops were afoot or mounted. If on foot the army covered five kilometres an hour, if mounted they could travel twelve kilometres an hour. Thus it was possible to say exactly how long it would take an army to move from one point to another by measuring road maps. When motor transport replaced horses, however, it was necessary to change all calculations. Anticipating that Herr Hitler would try to turn the Maginot Line to the north or south rather than attack frontally, the French general staff laid two complete plans for rushing troops into the northern lowlands or the alps to head off the enemy. When the war came it was necessary only to take the plan out of a steel box and give the orders to the troops concerned.

There was also a change in the army material and the older, slow but solid type of truck was replaced by a modern six or eight-wheeled monster. As a result, the advance of the armies was further speeded up. Nothing was left to hazard and every imaginable detail was worked out to the finest degree.

Meticulous Details of Convoys

When the armies started their 200-mile trek not a man went on foot. The motor convoys were ruled by army road police. The trucks ran exactly 50 meters apart. The drivers were forbidden to use their brakes for a sudden halt to prevent the cars from piling up. There was absolutely no light on the trucks and the drivers had only to keep moving at the pre arranged speed. If no driver went too fast or too slow there would be no reason to halt the column once it set into motion and so perfectly did this plan work out that there has not been the slightest jam in three days and nights.

"In watching the armies roll into action last night," writes the United Press correspondent, I drove down one of these roads in complete darkness with all cars unlighted. We were going in the opposite direction on a one way road and the general staff officer accompanying me displayed his papers to get past the road police.

"We scraped hub caps occasionally with the big trucks rolling by at 40 miles an hour in the black night and we decided it was a foolhardy venture. But I saw for myself that an army in motion need no longer be seen and heard."

Roadside Hospitals, Repair Shops

So complete were the plans for the big 72-hour advance that before the army was set in motion first aid hospitals were opened along the road at fixed intervals as well as motor repair shops. This was necessary so that when drivers were injured there would be no slow down or halting of the column. Another driver merely slid behind the wheel of the truck and rode on to the nearest hospital, where the wounded were unloaded and the truck again cut into the column.

These roadside hospitals were fitted to care for emergency cases, but, whenever it was necessary, the wounded were routed by secondary roads to base hospitals in the rear. The whole immense operation was directed by a single officer sitting at a map far at the rear. He watched the traffic along all ten roads and was constantly informed of all progress by radio. Scout cars running with the traffic on each road, kept talking to him about the progress on their roads or attacks which might halt the smooth flow of troops, so that the officer could have in an emergency detoured columns to prevent chaos.

There were roadside refueling stations at fixed intervals but most of the cars carried spare fuel as well as food for the drivers and troops.

Attacking Aircraft Fought Off

It had been expected that the Germans would try to cut the road bridges by bombs or strafe the advancing columns, but this interference was far less than had been anticipated. There were times when as many as 30 planes at a time attacked the columns, diving in succession to machine-gun or bomb, but the Allied fighter squadrons were called to drive the Germans off.

When the troops were travelling in open cars they were subjected to severe discipline. When enemy planes dived to machine-gun these cars on secondary roads, the machines were halted and every man jumped into the roadside ditches until the enemy was driven off. One whole regiment was attacked by twelve Messerschmitt planes, which flew at three-top height. Only two men were killed and four in the entire regiment wounded when Allied planes shot down six Messerschmitts and drove off the remainder.—United Press.

Mr. J. D. McLeod, of the International Paint and Composition Co., Ltd., and Mrs. McLeod, passed through Shanghai yesterday on their way to Canada. Both are well known and have many friends in Shanghai.

King's Daughters Need Funds

Appeal for $10,000 Made; Good Work of Convalescent Home Recounted

The King's Daughters' Society which is campaigning for $10,000 to enable it to carry on their work for 1940 has been doing excellent social relief work which should not escape the attention of public-spirited people. The Society's convalescent home and nursery which has been caring for under-nourished and in a way underprivileged children has secured much support from the public, but more is needed. Donations may be sent to the office, 868 Avenue Foch, at Gray's Yellow Lantern Shop, Sassoon Arcade and at Felgate & Company, 1547 Bubbling Well Road, between 8.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. from May 20 to May 25.

The operation and maintenance of the King's Daughters' Society's Convalescent Home and Nursery is one of the major branches of the work of the Society. The premises are the only ones to be built and maintained by them.

In 1920 the District Nurse drew attention to the very pressing need for a home where women and children in delicate health could rest and recuperate amid healthy surroundings. The Society took up the suggestion and the Shanghai Race Club encouraged it by donating the first $1,000. The Society then went ahead raising money by various entertainments and sales of work. Thanks to the generosity of the public, $21,000 was collected and in 1923 the Home was completed and opened. In 1934 the Rotary Club added a large wing and there is now accommodation for 40 beds inside and during the summer another 30 can sleep outside on a covered flat roof. Adjoining the building is a large garden where the children play and a well stocked vegetable garden which supplies very necessary fresh vegetables daily.

Cases are admitted to the Home on the advice of the District Nurse. Undernourished children and those found living in unhealthy surroundings are sent to the Home for a holiday, usually of three weeks' duration or longer, if necessary.

Building Up Children

Also, the children of tubercular parents, known as Pre-T. B. cases, are given a three months' holiday in order to be built up. Woman and children discharged from a hospital but not strong enough to return to a normal life are sent there to recuperate.

In addition to these transitory visitors there are the more permanent occupants of the Nursery, 21 in number at the present time. These are little people between the ages of two and seven years, whose parents have neither the facilities nor the money to give them the care and attention that the young require. Sometimes the parents are separated, or one or both may have died, or the mother has to work, or is too poor to maintain the child. The Nursery has reared a number of orphans who now attend boarding school. To them the Convalescent Home is their home and they return for holidays to the tender care of Miss Reid, the Matron, who is a veritable foster mother by repute but a trained nurse by profession. She is loaned to the Society by the S.M.C.

Used for Summer Holidays

This year, as in the last two summers, some of the Fresh Air Camp children will spend their summer holiday at the Home.

The running expenses of the Home are considerable, embracing as they do good wholesome food, pleasant and hygienic surroundings and highly qualified medical attendance. It has never been self-supporting and with the present high cost of living it has become increasingly difficult to keep down expenses and continue to supply the essentials. Most of the parents who have children in the Nursery pay a small amount monthly and one bed is endowed by the Ministering Children's League. For the remainder we depend upon the liberality of the generous Shanghai community.

Yugoslav Civilians to Play War Roles

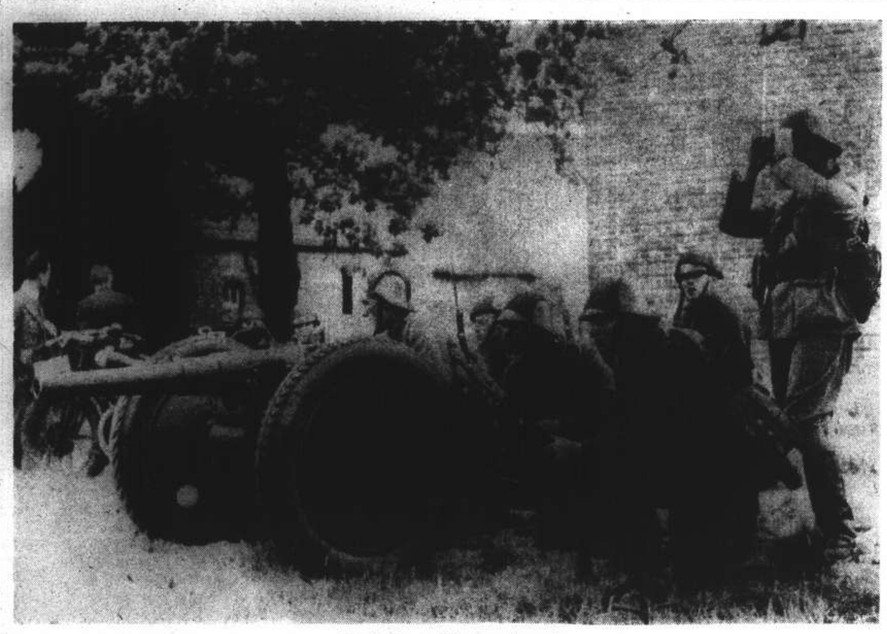
Workers to Be Grouped In Regiments

Belgrade, May 18.

Further steps to ensure Yugoslavia's complete preparedness for war were announced in the "Official Gazette" today. As soon as war breaks out, it stated, all men of non-military age between 16 and 65 years will be incorporated in an auxiliary army.

This army will comprise three separate sections, manual labour, agriculture and general work. The men will be mobilized and submitted to military discipline, but will continue work in their peacetime jobs.

They will be grouped in regiments and will frequently take part in civil defence exercises. They will be placed directly under the orders of the Yugoslav Army High Command.—Havas.



At Grips with the Invader

The Netherlands Army is one of the best trained in Europe, despite the country's proverbial neutrality in the past. Here are soldiers of Queen Wilhelmina behind a rubber tyred field piece somewhere near the frontier.

Nazis Gain in France At Tremendous Cost

(Continued from page 7)

The Belgian General Staff's communique this evening reported the abandonment of Brussels and Antwerp to the German in their withdrawal according to plan.

Nazis Need Fuel, Repairs

The difficulty of bringing up fuel supplies to the advancing motorized columns and the urgent need of many of these armoured units for repairs are having their effect on Germany's attempt to pile-drive through Allied defences, French military quarters asserted last night. Germany can count on very little assistance from the industrial plants and transport and communications facilities in the invaded areas, for everything of value was destroyed by the defenders before they withdrew, while the Royal Air Force on Friday night bombed and severely damaged large oil storage tanks in northern Germany. The loss of these oil supplies is all the more serious to the Germans as the Dutch oil depots were destroyed by the defenders before the invaders could lay their hands on them. Motor fuel at all times is precious in Germany, these military quarters continued, and today, with the motorized columns consuming it wholesale, its importance is increased out of all proportion.

An important factor in Germany's mechanized warfare is that while the attacking columns themselves can advance over difficult terrain as the units are equipped with caterpillar wheels, their fuel supply vehices must use roads as they are ordinary trucks. They are therefore not more vulnerable to attack by land and air, but are also at the mercy of the defenders' demolition corps, which can blow up bridges and roads at a moment's notice.—Havas.

French Retake Villages

The latest French communique states: "The battle continues in the same region with the same intensity. During the night our aviation continued bombing the enemy rear lines."

All day yesterday a battle of extreme violence occurred between Guise and Landrecies in the north-western part of the "bulge," and the battle was resumed this morning, according to a French military spokesman. The French made local attacks and retook some villages west of Rethel and between Rethel and Sedan.

In northern Belgium the Allies continued to develop their strategic movements of withdrawal.—Reuter.

N.Y. Governor Denounces Nazi Threat

All Civilization Now in Danger

New York, May 19.

A grave-faced crowd, many in tears, present at the dedication of the Belgian Pavilion at the world's fair today, heard Governor Herbert Lehman declare:

"We are faced with international lawlessness unparalleled in history. Because of the ambition and greed of a power-crazed tyrant the very existence of civilization is threatened. The safety of every nation and individual is in jeopardy."—Reuter.

Italians Leaving West Indies

Willemstad, Curacao, N.W.I., May 19.

Italians in the Netherlands West Indies today began to withdraw from the islands, it was reported here. Many are understood to have gone to Venezuela.—Domei.

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U.S. Warships Leave Hawaii

Fifteen Vessels Sail for Undisclosed Destination

Honolulu, May 19.

The U.S. aircraft carrier Yorktown and fourteen other major units of the United States battle fleet sailed from Lahaina Roads on Saturday to an undisclosed destination. The fifteen warships had been participating in extended secret manœuvres off Lahaina along with other battleships, cruisers, destroyers and auxiliary craft of the main battle fleet.

It was reported here, without confirmation, that several warships had been ordered to return to the Atlantic coast. Two weeks ago, however, the fleet was instructed to remain in Hawaiian waters indefinitely.—United Press.

Dutch Refugees Bombed, Machine-Gunned

London, May 19.

Eight Dutch refugees arrived this evening in a British port after a terror-filled 74 hours in a small boat in the North Sea. A short while after they left Holland they were bombed and machine-gunned by three German planes, they said. Fortunately, none of them were injured. They also suffered badly from lack of food and the bad weather they encountered before being picked up by a British ship.—Havas.

M.P. Declares War to Be One of "Supplies"

London, May 19.

"This is a war of supplies, and whatever temporary or local successes Germany might gain on the battlefield could never beat the resources in raw materals, manufactured articles, and finance of the whole world," Mr. Wedgwood Benn, Labour member in the House of Commons, declared today.—Havas.

Service in Notre Dame For Allied Victory

Paris, May 19.

This afternoon solemn prayers were said in the Cathedral of Notre Dame for the eventual victory of the Allies. The ceremony, followed by a procession, was attended by many prominent personalities, including the Premier, M. Paul Reynaud.—Havas.

Japanese Urged to Leave French Soil

Paris, May 19.

The Japanese Embassy here today urged all Japanese residents in France to leave the country for Japan. Approximately 200 Japanese subjects reside in France at the present time.—Domei.

THE CINEMA

"The Man Who Wouldn't Talk"

Joe Monday .....Lloyd Nolan
Alice Stetson .....Jean Rogers
Steve Philips .....Richard Clarke
Frederick Keller .....Onslow Stevens
Horace Parker .....Eric Blore
Miss Norton .....Joan Valerie
Mrs. Stetson .....Mae Marsh
Attorney Cluett .....Paul Stanton
Walker .....Doublas Wood
Paul Gilli .....Irving Bacon

It is said that the Hollywood Studios receive some 25,000 stories a year, and of these five are selected as being original. The story of "The Man Who Wouldn't Talk" showing at the Cathay, is one of the five, and is interesting out of its very originality. Unfortunately the plot is obscured by the usual screen conventions, such as the necessity for introducing a pretty girl and a sentimental old lady, but yet manages to rise above these obstacles. The film concerns the murder of a financier by a man who confesses to the crime but refuses to disclose any facts about himself, or reasons for the crime. He is inevitably recognized by a girl who believes he is her long lost brother, and sets about proving this. Mr. Lloyd Nolan, as the man who wouldn't talk, is duly silent in a competent way, and it is refreshing to see that he is not afraid of being made up to look twenty years older than he actually is. Miss Jean Rogers is up to standard, and will probably never be better or worse than she is in this production; it is, however, rather embarrassing when she recites some poetry—embarrassing because she obviously dislikes it. Altogether the picture is well worth seeing as it is out of the ordinary, although it is advisable to go ten minutes late in order to avoid the singularly fatuous short which precedes the main attraction.—J.S.-B.

London Tube System Now Made Safe

London, May 19.

The whole programme undertaken by the London Transport Board to make London tube railways safe from the effects of air raids has been completed with the installation of flood-proof gates at a point between the bank station and London bridge station.

Today the through service on this section of the northern line, which carries a million passengers weekly, will be resumed after eight months interruption.

In the interval, passengers have had to change at the Bank and London Bridge on to a special shuttle bus service.—British Official Wireless.

British Hospital Trains Leave for Country

London, May 19.

Two British hospital trains, carrying the wounded from the battle front, left the port of debarkation today for the English countryside, one train going to Hampshire, the other to Lancasire. One board one of the trains was a badly-wounded German officer.—Havas.

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Chengtu Bombed By Japanese

South and Western Suburbs Of City Damaged; Severe Aerial Engagement

Chungking, May 19.

A severe aerial engagement took place above Chengtu, capital of Szechuen, last night, when Japanese aircraft in three groups bombed the outskirts of the city.

Details of the air battle are not yet available here, but damage caused by Japanese bombing of the western and southern outskirts is reported to be slight.

A fourth group of Japanese bombers is reported to have attacked Liangshan, north-east of Chungking.

Although the raiders never approached the limits of Chungking city, the populace of China's wartime capital practically spent the night in dugouts, the alarm being in effect from 6.45 p.m. till 1.45 this morning.

A Chinese dispatch from Chengtu filed this morning states that the first batch of nine Japanese bombers appeared over Chengtu at 8.30 p.m. and dropped bombs on the western outskirts of the city.

The second group of raiders came an hour later at 9.30, and received a warm reception from both Chinese anti-aircraft batteries and Chinese fighters.

As searchlights spotted the raiders, Chinese anti-aircraft batteries opened heavy fire. At the same time Chinese fighters, cruising above the city, made several attacks on the Japanese 'planes, which dropped bombs on the southern outskirts of Chengtu.

The third batch, comprising 18 bombers, "cruised aimlessly over Szechuen, departing shortly after one o'clock this morning."

Information obtained in Chungking reveals that all three groups of Japanese aircraft bombed Chengtu, and that a fourth group bombed Liangshan.—Reuter.

Chinese Bomb Anlu

With Japanese Forces in Central China, May 19.

Flying at an altitude of 6,000 metres, eight Chinese bombers, at 4.36 o'clock this afternoon, tossed bombs at random over Anlu, 60 kilometres south-east of Suihsien, in northern Hupeh province, it was disclosed here.

Reports declared that Japanese military establishments suffered no damage. It was added that several Chinese farmers were killed and a few wounded.—Domei.

German Radio Station Seized in Argentine

Buenos Aires, May 19.

The authorities have discovered and seized a secret radio station operated by a German named Hellmut Lentz near Campana, 50 miles from here. They are endeavouring to discover another secret transmitter.—Reuter.

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8.30 p.m.	German
8.45 p.m.	Italian
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10.00 p.m.	Spanish

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FROM DAY TO DAY

MR. C. A. Peireira will hold an exhibition of pastel and water-colour paintings at 55 Yuen Ming Yuen Road, third floor, commencing today, in aid of local Portuguese charity.

WORD has been received that Myles Donal and Jerry, younger brothers of Mr. C. C. O'Connell, of the S.M. Secretariat, have resigned their positions in Dublin, and have crossed over to London, and enlisted as privates in the British Army.

THE 42nd memorial services honouring the spirits of the Japanese war dead who sacrificed themselves on the field of battle in Central China will be solemnized at the Nishi-Nonganji Temple in Chapoo Road at 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

MINISTERING Children's League announce the following raffle results:—Trip to Hongkong ticket 910; bag 1136; Clock 1004; hamper 602; beer 1063; wine 625; beer 741; doll and cradle 549; Japanese doll 547; Telephone Davies 70457 for prizes.

JAPAN'S Navy Day, commemorating the 35th anniversary of the Japanese navy's spectacular victory over the Imperial Russian navy in the Japan Sea during the Russo-Japanese war, will be appropriately celebrated by the local Japanese community at the Japanese Club, on Boone Road, at 6 o'clock on the afternoon of May 27.

LIEUT.-General M. G. H. Barker, who is home from the command in Palestine to be Commander-in-Chief at Aldershot, gets "the plum" of British Home commands at the comparatively early age of 55. He is big in frame, gentle in manners, not tied to red tape, and not afraid to experiment on modern and novel lines.

MAJOR-General P. Neame, who becomes a Divisional Commander in the field, is one of most brilliant soldiers. Chivalrous, intellectual, brave (he is a V.C.), he is also a fine horseman, first-class rifle and revolver shot, and an authority on big game shooting. As Deputy Chief of the General Staff, his work since the outbreak of war has been most arduous.

CARRYING a full passenger load, the Toa Kaiun Kaisha shuttle liner Nagasaki Maru arrived at the Wayside Wharf at 2.40 o'clock on Saturday afternoon. Among the passengers was Major-Gen. Genshichi Oikawa, Assistant Director of the Central China Liaison Office of the Asia Development Board, who has been in Tokyo since May 8 to discuss certain important matters.

MAJOR-General the Hon. P. G. Scarlett, who is the new Director of Mobilization, has a District Command in India, and previously excellent Staff credentials in France, China, and at home. One of his predecessors was the Commander of the Heavy Cavalry in the Crimea. "Scarlett's" Brigade charged the Russians at Balaclava before the historic Light Brigade made their charge. He is a soldier, an organizer, and a gardener—three good characteristics.

LORD Hewart attained an interesting landmark in his legal career recently the eighteenth anniversary of his appointment as Lord Chief Justice. He has now exceeded the tenure of most modern holders of the office, ties with that of Lord Denman, and is within three years of equalling Lord Cockburn. As he has expressed an intention never to retire until death, it may be hoped that he will reach his eighty-fourth year and beat the record—the 32-year tenure of the 18th century Lord Chief Justice Mansfield.

ONE striking difference between this war and the last is the rapid growth of the British War Savings movement in factories and workshops during the last few weeks. Last time wage-earners were slow to take up the movement in groups. Today they are making an invaluable and ever-increasing contribution to the sinews of war. One group alone has over 50,000 members. The peak number of savings associations in 1914-18 was 40,000. After the Armistice it dwindled to 18,000, but as the result of a special campaign, it was raised to 40,000, and it stood at this figure last September. Now it is over 56,000, and growing at the rate of 2,000 a week.

ADMIRAL Horthy, to whom the King sent a cordial message of greeting on the 20th anniversary of his becoming Regent of Hungary, is one of the most remarkable men in Europe. Before the last war he was personal aide-de-camp to the Emperor of Austra-Hungary, and was his personal friend. Twenty years ago, mounted on a white horse, he marched into Budapest and deposed Bela Kun, the Communist leader, who was to all intents and purposes ruling Hungary. He is now elected Regent for life by the Hungarian Parliament—"Regent" of a country which is really a republic. Another curious anomaly is that he is admiral in a country without an inch of seaboard.

MR. Malcolm MacDonald is still on the right side of 40. He is one of the best-educated men in the House. His mother, Margaret MacDonald, to whom there is a memorial in Lincoln's Inn Fields, was a daughter of the late Dr. Gladstone. She had means of her own, and in her will she hypothecated money for the education of her children, as a result of which young Malcolm was sent to Bedales School and Queen's College, Oxford. In the House of Commons it is often said that the sons of famous fathers are handicapped by the inevitable comparison. Malcolm has overcome that handicap, and speaks just as well out of the House as in it.

ONLY 308 cases of crime were reported in the International Settlement during the week ending yesterday. This is a decrease of 37 as compared with the figures for the previous week. Armed robberies decreased, 14 cases reported as compared with 30 for the previous week, while 156 larcenies were investigated. In connection with these crimes, 494 arrests were effected which is an increase of 33 as compared with the week ending May 11. Thieves apprehended during the seven day period were 132, while 38 men were put behind bars in connection with armed robberies. No less than 31 persons were arrested in connection with opium offences.

Why Dutch Laid Down Their Arms

Prince Bernhard Explained German Treachery, Cruelty To Troops in Zeeland

London, May 18.

A complete account of Prince Bernhard's visit to Zeeland two days ago was given today by the Netherlands Legation here in a communiqué which also explained the surrender of the main body of the Dutch army. Prince Bernhard, the communiqué stated, left London for Zeeland on Thursday upon the orders of Queen Wilhelmina. He visited the Dutch forces in the southern province and explained to them why the main body of the army had had to lay down its arms.

Chief reason for the Commander-in-Chief, Gen. Winkelman's decision, it was stated, was the fact that further resistance was impossible as a result of the unlawful and unscrupulous methods of warfare employed by Germany.

Bridge Treacherously Seized

At the outbreak of hostilities in the Low Countries, the Legation here explained, a strategically placed bridge was not destroyed by the Dutch because it was believed the Allies would need it for their lines of communication very shortly.

The Germans, realising the importance of this bridge, showed no scruples in their attack on it. They sent men dressed in Dutch army uniforms to the spot and these, later reinforced by parachute troops and men landed by seaplanes, were able to seize control over the bridge.

This seizure was a decisive factor in the whole Netherlands conflict, for it gave the Germans a means of passage through the Dutch defences and thus permitted them to attack from the rear the troops who were defending the "water-line."

The capture of this bridge was all the more serious, the Dutch Legation here continued, because the Germans were able, by the use of similar tactics, to gain a foothold on Dordrecht Island and at Rotterdam, where German attacking units advanced behind a shield of Dutch prisoners-of-war.

Ambulances Bombed

Other atrocities reported today by the Dutch Legation included the case in which 15 Dutch ambulances clearly displaying the red cross of mercy were bombed with incendiary missiles even as the doctors inside were tending wounded.

Moreover, when the Red Cross personnel attempted to drag the wounded away from the wreckage of the destroyed ambulances, they were machine-gunned by the German planes.

The Legation communiqué concluded with the statement that the people and troops of Zeeland were greatly cheered by the prince's visit.—Havas.

Young Apprentice Falls From Drying-Stage

A youthful apprentice's fondness for gambling led directly to a nearly fatal fall from the drying-stage of a dyeing factory off Sinza Road shortly after midnight yesterday. Tan Ah-yuen, the apprentice, is today suffering from multiple injuries at the Paulun Hospital as a result of his misadventure.

Employed at the Ya Kwang Dyeing Factory at 403 Sinza Road, Tan stole into the room occupied by another employee on Saturday night and stole $14 from under the bed. Before he had a chance to decamp with the money, apparently to visit a gambling den, as he has been known as an inveterate gambler, his superior caught him.

The stigma of being branded as a thief may have troubled his conscience, for he made up his mind to leave the factory for good shortly after midnight on Saturday. Unable to leave through the locked main gate he went on to the drying-stage. A misstep caused his fall to the pavement.

Lester Chinese Hospital Concludes Busy Month

There was a definite increase in the amount of work done by the Lester Chinese Hospital during April, especially in the Out-Patient Department, with the number of visits totalling 15,515. In-patient admissions during the month numbered 478, while the number of in-patient bed-days was 8,232.

A total of 197 in-patient and 269 out-patient operations was made during the month under review. Industrial accident cases numbered 37, while cases brought in by the Shanghai Municipal Police and the French Municipal Police numbered respectively 384 and 56. Attempted suicides amongst men numbered 38 and similar cases amongst women totalled 55. Thirty-eight births were recorded during the month. The number of prescriptions dispensed was 15,993, while the total X-Ray examinations made was 769.

Dr. J. L. H. Paterson, Superintendent, left Shanghai on a furlough during the month, Dr. D. Farquharson taking his place, during his absence, as Acting Medical Superintendent. The annual meeting of subscribers to the hospital was held on April 16.

Two Youths Slightly Injured by Shell Cap

Upon investigating the contents of a garbage can on Tonquin Road near Connaught Road at about 3 p.m. yesterday, two Chinese youths found a shell-cap which they immediately proceeded to take to pieces. They used a hammer and instead of seeing what was inside, the youths had to be rushed to the Paulun Hospital for treatment of minor leg and hand wounds, as a result of the minor explosion which occurred.

Arms Transit on Yunnan Railway Denied

Paris, May 19.

On May 15, the Japanese News Agency issued a report which alleged that the transit of arms to China from French territory had been resumed and was increasing in volume.

It is authoritatively stated in Paris that "in November 1937 the French Government decided to ban all transit of arms on the Yunnan railway, and since then there has been none."—Reuter.

Nazi Hate in French Village

These pictures are from a village in France and were taken before the commencement of the big German push. The village was wantonly used as a target by the German artillery, though it was in no sense a military objective. The village church and houses were thoroughly "strafed." The upper picture shows a crucifix brought down in the church. The lower gives a view of the church through the ruins of a neighbouring roof.

Speculators Hit By Exchange

Large Sums Lost Through Hoarding American Goods; Further Losses Expected

Chinese reports reveal that merchants in Shanghai who have been hoarding American goods in order to obtain a big profit by waiting for higher prices have suffered a loss estimated between $20,000,000 and $30,000,000 during the past few days when foreign currencies have followed a downward trend. Many other speculators are disappointed.

Quoting export merchants, the reports state that after the conclusion of the Sino-Japanese hostilities in Shanghai, merchants here have been hoarding both European and American goods but that after the outbreak of hostilities in Europe they have turned their attention to American goods. They have lost a great deal and it is described as a severe blow from which the merchants should learn a lesson.

The crowded condition of the godowns in both foreign areas here is said to be unprecedented. Despite repeated requests from Customs authorities asking merchants to remove their goods, the latter find it difficult to do so owing to the dullness prevailing in the market. Bank godowns are also said to be filled to capacity with goods stored by hoarding merchants. It is predicted that they will suffer further losses.

It is complained that many merchants are still hoarding various kinds of imported metals, the prices of which have jumped considerably as a result of the exchange rate change. Some of the metals are not obtainable in the market at all owing to hoarding. Foreign lumber from Sweden and Finland are said to be hard to obtain in the Shanghai market these days, although they are much used in building. Prices are four times those quoted during the pre-war days, it is stated, although the reduction of the exchange rate during the past few days has caused lumber merchants to reduce their prices by about 20 cents.

"The Enchanted Forest"

Practically all the cast consisting of children, "The Enchanted Forest", a beautiful fantasy, was excellently produced by N. Sokolsky's Dancing Academy at the Lyceum Theatre yesterday. Based on the old beloved fairy tale of two children lost in an enchanted forest, the story gives scope to different types of dancing, and undoubtedly, the talented youngsters executed their difficult parts in a very able manner. The first act, which really introduces the story, is staged in the house of a Ranger, whose children behaved in a mischievous way and were therefore punished by their mother by being sent to the forest to gather some strawberries. Outstanding was little Merkoulova as the sister, Masha. There can be no doubt that the talented girl will have a most promising future, and her mime and grace left nothing to be desired. Z. Goldberg as the brother, Vania, showed that her ability in dancing is not far behind that of Markoulova, and especially did well in the finale, when she danced the Russian Country Dance. Truly enchanting were the numerous kinds of flowers that entertained the lost children. Sunflowers, poppies, forget-me-nots, corn-flowers and a host of others, flitted about the stage, confident and deservedly proud of their ability.

The little dancers are too numerous to mention, but most outstanding of the older children were L. Sun, who executed very ably the Dance of the Fairy of Dreams, diminutive Yakovleva, who was enchanting in the extremely difficult toe-dance of the Russian Royard.

Gifted Merkoulova again surpassed herself in the Hungarian Classical Dance, which was introduced in the finale scene. Concluding the enjoyable programme, all the participants joined in the final ensemble, after which, amid thunderous, yes, truly thunderous applause, innumerable presents and baskets of flowers for the youthful performers were brought on the stage.

"The Enchanted Forest," so ably staged by N. Sokolsky and E. Baranova, will be performed again next Sunday, May 26, at 2.30 p.m.—E.H.

Electric Pagodas to Be Erected Here

To Broadcast in English And Japanese

In order to "direct" the people living in foreign areas here with "light" and "sound", four "electric information pagodas" will be erected in Pootung and other Chinese areas in Shanghai by the Japanese for publicity purposes, according to the "Sin Shun Pao." These pagodas, it is learned, will be high, illuminated broadcasting stations, one of which will stand on the shore on the Pootung side of the Whangpoo just opposite the Customs building on the Bund.

Construction of these steel towers which will shoot 150 feet high into the sky is being planned by a Japanese company and work will be started in the near future. Hope is expressed that the Pootung "pagoda" will be ready for use in four months when information in both Chinese and English will be broadcast.

It is being planned that in addition to the Pootung station, three other stations will be erected in Hongkew, Chapei, and the western district. The Hongkew one will be built near a fruit hong.

Committees Rush U.S. Defence Appropriations

Additional Sums for Army, Navy Passed; Bills Being Prepared for Congress Decision

Washington, May 19.

SENATE committees yesterday worked at unprecedented speed on measures to give effect at the earliest possible date to President Roosevelt's national defence recommendations. As a result, bills providing for total military appropriations of $3,131,472,651 are expected to be ready for introduction early this week.

The total greatly exceeds the largest sum even spent by the United States for military purposes in a year when the country was not actually engaged in war.

A sub-committee of the Senate Military Affairs Committee after brief hearings increased the army's fiscal budget to $1,827,491,724. The Senate Naval Affairs Committee simultaneously was rushing preparation of a bill appropriating $1,303,980,927 for expansion of the fleet and naval establishments.

The two bills include the regular annual appropriations for the army and navy in addition to the extraordinary appropriations for which President Roosevelt on Thursday requested immediate approval.

Military experts pointed out that, while the expenditures provided by the measures now under consideration set a new peace-time record, the amounts represent merely a fraction of the total which would be required eventually for the completion of the defence preparations envisaged by the President.—United Press.

Could Outdistance Others

Los Angeles, May 19.

Leaders of the American aircraft industry said they could make the United States the largest air power in the world within a year by using the vastly augmented plant facilities created as result of heavy production for France and Britain during the last year.

Mr. John Jowett, the President of the Aeronautical Chamber of New York, said, "The United States rearmament programme started last year and the quantity orders from the Allies during the last several months have developed our production capacity and so changed our manufacturing technique that further expansion will be relatively simple."

Forty-five existing aeroplane plants in the United States could produce the 50,000 aeroplanes President Roosevelt mentioned in his defence message to Congress by tripling the floor space of all plants, doubling the area of aircraft engine manufacturing plants, tripling the number of employees, which is now estimated to total 100,000 for all branches in the industry, and by operating all plants on a 24-hour basis, Mr. Jowett said.

Many men in the aviation industry are agreed that the mass production of aeroplanes, which has already been adopted by Germany, would result, because the majority of planes would be of the same type. Thus, the tools and dies could be used over a long period of time.

Sixty-five per cent. of the nation's aeroplane plants are now located in Southern California. These plants have been flourishing lately. For example, they are working now on orders for U.S.$300,000,000 worth of planes—an increase of over U.S. $40,000,000 compared with orders on hand on April 1. They now employ 30,000 men—up 3,600 from April—with a monthly payroll of U.S.$4,400,000. During April they produced planes valued at U.S.$9,000,000—an increase of over U.S.$715,000 for the month.—United Press.

Under-Secretaries Appointed

London, May 19.

Lord Tryon has been appointed the First Commissioner of Works, and Mr. Frederick Montague, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Transport.—Reuter.

Russian Philatelists Sponsor Stamp Day

Yesterday's bourse and auction organized by the Russian Philatelic Society in the premises of the Russian Club, Avenue Foch, was successful far beyond the wildest hopes of the sponsors. Hundreds of collectors thronged the tables which had been placed in the large auditorium, and on which many thousands of dollars worth of stamps were exhibited. Purchases were brisk throughout the day and the fact that many Chinese attended the all-day affair, is an indication that stamp collecting, as a hobby, is increasing rapidly in Shanghai.

Several large sales were concluded and philatelists desirous of exchanging stamps, found ready takers. Even during the noon hour, it was difficult to get near any one of the tables, although the biggest transactions were concluded between 5 and 7 p.m.

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COMMERCE AND FINANCE

Money and Exchange

Foreign Money Rates

London: May, 18.

Fine Bank Bills,	3 months	1 1/16%
Bank Bills,	6 months	1⅛%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	2¾%
Fine Trade Bills,	6 months	3¼%
Call Money		0⅞%

New York: Closed.—Reuter.

Foreign Exchanges

Closing May, 18.

Bombay, Rupee T. T. on:

Japan	99 N.	London	1/5 11/32
New York	333	2 mths	
Shanghai	24¼	„ sellers	1/5 31/32
Hongkong	83¾	„ buyers	1/6 1/32

London £ Sterling T. T. on:

New York	402.50	Bombay	1/6 1/32
Paris	176.50	Hongkong	1/2 11/32
Madrid	38.50	Singapore	2/4 3/32
Milan	62.75	Yokohama	1/5 13/16
Berne	17.85	„ buying	1/5 7/8
Shanghai	4 11/32d.		

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:

Berlin	40.00 N.	Japan	23.48
Paris	1.82¾	Shanghai	5.65
Italy	5.05	Hungary	17.70
S'zerland	22.40	Rumania	0.50
Sweden	23.85	Yugo Slavia	2.30
Montreal	79.000	Greece	0.63
Brazil	5.10	Finland	2.00
London			3.22
„ demand			3.19⅝
Buenos Aires Paper			29.76
„ „ Market rate			22.80
Montreal on London			4.07⅜

N—Nom.—Reuter.

Bombay Cotton Market

Bombay, May 17.

The Bombay cotton market ruled generally weak throughout the past week, with the easiness of the share market inducing general selling.

With China still not buying and Japan feeling the effects of diminishing area for exports, the outlook for Indian exports is gloomy.

Sentiment is generally unfriendly, with the grave Allied situation further aggravating the prevailing nervousness, but the market is in a position to react favourably to constructive news.—Reuter.

Bank of England Returns

London, May 16.

The Bank of England statement for the week ended May 16 shows an increase in public deposits of £720,000 to £33,860,000, while other deposits were lower by £4,160,000 to £148,-940,000.

Government securities were listed at £139,090,000, showing an increase of £10,000 from the previous week. Other securities totalled £26,370,000, including £3,880,000 on discounts and advances and £22,490,000 on securities.

Notes and coins amounted to £35,-080,000, a decrease of £2,400,000 from the previous week's figure of £37,-480,000, while total bullion increased by £60,000.

Notes in circulation totalled £546,-410,000, registering an advance of £2,-460,000 compared with last week's figure.

The proportion of reserve to liability was given as 19.19 per cent., compared with 20.12 per cent. last week. —Reuter.

Bank of Japan Gold Reserves

Osaka, May 17.

The gold reserves of the Bank of Japan yesterday totalled 501,287,000 Yen, same as on Thursday last week and on May 18 last year.—Reuter.

U. S. Commodities

Saturday's Closing Quotations

New York, May 18.

Trading was active in the cotton market, with prices early giving way to a selling wave and heavy foreign liquidation. Later, the market was further depressed by the continued easiness of securities and more selling. However, at the lower levels, trade demand stemmed the decline and the market recovered partially. At the close, quotations ranged from 27 to 31 points down from the previous final levels.

The rubber market moved lower in sympathy with the weakness of other commodities and heavy commission house liquidation. Later, there was an apparent better atmosphere as trade buying appeared, followed by good inquiries for physicals. At the last callover, losses from 50 to 65 points were recorded.

The Chicago Wheat Pit again presented a picture of gloom and nervousness. Futures were early offered at the limit decline, but later quotations rallied partially on reports of a Government loan export subsidy and Mr. Wallace's appeal to the exchanges to prohibit trading in grain futures below today's closing levels. At the final bell, losses of 6¼ to 6¾ cents were registered.

New York Cotton		New York Rubber	
July	8.91-91 —29		
July (N.C.)	9.11-11 —30		
Oct. (N.C.)	8.52-53 —28	July	20.11-11 —59
Dec. (N.C.)	8.43-43 —27	Sept.	18.35-35 —65
		Dec.	18.00-00 —50
Jan. (N.C.)	8.36-36 —28	Jan.	17.80-80 —50
Mar. (N.C.)	8.22-22 —31		
May (N.C.)	8.09 N. —		

N. Y. Sugar No. 3		N. Y. Sugar No. 4	
Sept.	1.96-97 unch. B/A	Sept.	1.25½-26—2½ B/A
Mar.	1.99-2.00 —01 B/A	Dec.	1.26-27 —3 B/A

Chicago Wheat		Chicago Corn	
July	79-78¼—6¼	July	58¾-59 —2¼
Sept.	78½-78 —6¾	Sept.	58½58⅝—2¼

Winnipeg Wheat		New York Silk No. 1	
July	70¼-70½—1⅛	July	Closed

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

Mexico Wishes Better Trade with Japan

Will Buy Machinery in Exchange for Materials

Tokyo, May 19.

Prior to his departure yesterday afternoon from Yokohama aboard the N.Y.K. luxury liner Nitta Maru for San Francisco, Mr. Ernesto Hidalgo, chairman of the Mexican Economic Mission to Japan, expressed the hope that trade between Mexico and Japan will be increased during the coming years.

As is well known, Mr. Hidalgo declared in his statement, Mexico now is working on an extensive development programme which include improvement of roads, railways, hydraulic works and other enterprises.

"Naturally, we need much equipment in the form of heavy machinery. We believe that Japan will, in the near future, be capable of supplying us with a greater part of our requirements.

"On the other hand, we hope we shall be able to induce Japan to buy more of our iron and other minerals, cotton, and other raw materials."—Domei.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Statistical Data Concerning Leading Stocks

By Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Name of Stock (No par value except where indicated)		Dividends: Annual rate $	Dividends: Date of 1st quarterly payment	Book value	Earnings or Deficits: 5 yr Average 1928-30	1937	1938	1939	Yield on basis of price in %
Adams Express	..	0.25	Irregular	12	—	0.62	0.16	0.29	3
Alleghany Ludlum Steel	..	0.75	Irregular	18	—	2.10	D 1.04	1.49	4
Allis Chalmers	..	1.25	Irregular	33	—	4.42	1.44	2.09	4
American can	25	4	Feb. 15	48	6.29	6.08	4.35	6.22	4
Am. and Foreign Power	..	—	—	—	1.43	D 8.77	D 8.66	—	nil
Am. and For.P.$7 cum.Pref.		0.70	Irregular	110	23.49	7.11	6.83	—	5
Am. Locomotive	..	—	—	6	4.20	4.75	D 4.90	D 4.45	nil
Am. Radiator	..	0.30†	Irregular	10	1.84	0.68	D 0.08	0.34	5
Am. Rolling Mill	..	—	—	28	2.46	2.55	D 1.16	0.69	nil
American Smelting	..	3	Feb. 28	38	7.27	6.54	3.24	4.36	8
Am. Tel. and Tel.	100	9	Jan. 15	127	1.30	9.76	8.32	10.18	6
Am. Tob. "B"	35	5	Mar. 1	24	6.00	5.04	4.39	5.42	6
Am. Waterworks	..	—	—	10	2.80	1.14	0.38	0.95	nil
Anaconda Copper	50	1.25	Irregular	59	4.97	3.62	1.10	2.33	5
Atch., Top. & S. Fe	100	—	—	230	19.16	0.60	0.83	0.94	nil
Auburn Automobiles	..	—	—	3	9.72	D15.00	D 1.73	—	nil
Baltimore and Ohio	100	—	—	126	11.36	D 1.20	D 6.04	D1.55	nil
Barber Asphalt	(10)	0.50†	Irregular	32	—	1.91	D 0.85	1.39	5
Barnsdall Oil	5	0.80	Feb. 1	7	—	0.85	1.26	0.76	9
Bethlehem Steel	..	2.50†	Irregular	122	7.06	7.63	D 0.70	5.75	3
Boeing Airplane	5	—	—	5	—	0.45	D 0.77	D4.55	nil
Borg-Warner	5	1.35	Irregular	10	—	3.63	D 0.01	2.43	8
Bklyn. Manh. Tran.	..	—	—	—	6.78	4.09	D 1.25	D1.22	nil
Canadian Pacific Rly.	25	—	—	40	3.11	0.30	D 0.32	D0.32	nil
Case, J. I.	100	—	—	152	14.53	13.98	8.89	D1.87	nil
Chase Nat. Bank	13.55	1.40	F.A. 1	32	4.04	2.03	1.96	1.80	5
Chesapeake & Ohio.	25	2.62½	Jan. 1	51	5.67	4.43	2.62	3.49	8
Chrysler	5	5.25†	Irregular	40	4.69	11.66	4.32	8.47	9
Columbia Gas and Electric.		—	—	12	2.08	0.57	0.31	0.46	nil
Commercial Credit	10	4.00	Mar. 31	29	—	7.10	4.60	4.01	12
Commonwealth & Southern		—	—	5	0.67	0.18	0.08	0.13	nil
Consolidated Edison	..	2	Mar. 15	45	4.50	2.17	2.09	2.22	7
Consolidated Oil	..	0.80	Feb. 15	18	—	1.48	0.55	—	12
Continental Oil	..	1	Jan. 30	20	0.64	2.97	1.00	1.35	5
Corn Products	25	3	Jan. 20	31	4.41	2.52	3.17	3.32	6
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	..	2	Mar. 15	21	nil	3.95	3.75	3.29	13
Douglas Aircraft	..	4	Irregular	21	1.50	1.90	3.76	4.81	5
Dupont de Nemours	10	7.50†	Mar. 15	42	5.17	7.27	3.75	7.66	4
Eagle Picher Lead	10	0.20†	Irregular	14	—	0.40	—	—	3
Electric Bond & Share	5	—	—	19	2.15	0.42	0.18	0.24	nil
Elec. Bond & Share $6 Pref.		6	Feb. 1	—	—	7.31	—	—	10
Flintkote	..	1.00	—	13	—	1.50	1.21	2.11	8
General Electric	..	1.50†	Jan. 25	11	1.81	2.21	0.90	1.43	5
General Motors	10	3.50†	Mar. 12	19	4.83	4.38	2.17	4.06	8
General Railway Signal	..	—	—	16	7.99	1.58	D 0.85	0.34	nil
Glidden	..	0.50	—	23	—	2.62	D 0.29	1.70	4
Goodrich Rubber	..	1	—	26	2.09	D 2.25	0.14	3.51	8
Goodyear Tire and Rubber		1	Irregular	26	5.12	1.95	1.34	3.20	6
Great Northern Ry. Pfd.	..	—	—	157	9.47	4.04	1.09	3.47	nil
Greyhound	..	1.40†	Jan. 1	9	D0.16	1.59	1.43	1.79	12
Int. Nickel	..	2	Mar. 30	14	0.85	3.31	2.09	2.39	9
Int. Tel. and Tel.	..	—	—	30	3.45	1.60	1.10	0.76	nil
Kennecott	..	2	Mar. 30	32	3.67	4.60	2.10	3.14	7
Loew's Inc.	..	2.50†	Mar. 30	56	6.71	8.47	5.65	5.37	10
Montgomery Ward	..	2.25†	Apr. 15	34	2.51	3.41	3.50	4.91	5
Nat. City Bank N.Y.	12½	1	F. A. 1	27	4.12	2.00	—	—	4
Nat. Dairy Products	..	0.80	Jan. 2	13	3.58	1.53	1.69	1.97	6
National Distillers	..	2	Feb. 1	22	—	3.86	3.85	3.43	10
Nat. Power and Light	..	0.60	Mar. 1	22	1.74	1.36	1.28	—	8
New York Central	..	—	—	142	12.63	0.99	D 3.13	0.70	nil
North Am. Aviation	1	1.40	Irregular	3	—	0.14	0.55	2.06	7
North American Co.	10	1.20*	Jan. 2	21	4.47	1.95	1.55	1.84	7
Pacific Gas and Electric	25	2	Jan. 16	30	2.83	2.71	2.47	2.84	7
Pacific Lighting	..	3*	Feb. 15	19	2.70	4.10	4.18	3.60	8
Packard Motors	..	—	—	3	1.11	0.20	D 0.12	0.04	nil
Paramount Pictures	1	0.15	—	17	—	1.96	0.55	1.08	3
Pennsylvania Railroad	50	1	Irregular	89	7.01	2.07	0.84	2.43	6
Phillips Petroleum	..	2	Mar. 1	38	3.69	5.42	2.03	2.21	6
Public Service of N.J.	..	2.50	Mar. 30	24	3.15	2.61	2.34	2.88	7
Pure Oil	..	0.25†	Irregular	22	1.77	2.15	0.38	1.11	3
Radio Corp.	..	0.20	Irregular	nil	1.32	0.41	0.30	0.35	4
Reynolds Tobacco "B"	..	2.30†	Jan. 1	15	3.04	2.82	2.37	2.56	6
Schenley	5	—	—	33	—	5.04	2.46	2.52	nil
Sears Roebuck	..	4.25	Mar. 16	47	5.03	5.58	4.18	6.60	6
Socony Vacuum Corp.	15	0.50†	M. S. 15	22	—	1.82	1.29	—	6
Southern Pacific	100	—	—	123	10.19	0.20	D 1.81	1.63	nil
Standard Brands	..	0.42½	Jan. 2	4	1.53	0.73	0.62	0.51	7
Standard Gas & Electric	..	—	—	—	6.59	D 0.86	D 2.49	D1.34	nil
Standard Oil of N.J.	25	1.25*	J. D. 15	49	3.47	5.64	2.86	—	3
Texas Gulf Sulphur	..	2	Mar. 15	15	5.21	3.02	1.81	2.04	7
Union Carbide & Carbon	..	2.10†	Jan. 2	30	3.40	4.81	2.77	3.86	3
Union Pacific Railway	100	6	Jan. 2	—	17.53	6.15	6.62	6.74	7
United Aircraft	5	2	Irregular	12	—	1.52	2.05	3.53	4
United Airlines	5	—	—	8	—	D 0.52	D 0.66	0.21	nil
United Corp.	..	—	—	3	0.55	0.22	0.07	0.07	nil
United Gas Improvement	..	1	Mar. 23	11	1.29	1.09	0.99	1.07	9
U.S. Rubber	10	—	—	24	nil	2.21	0.43	2.91	nil
U.S. Steel	..	1	Irregular	119	12.90	8.01	D 3.79	1.83	2
Vanadium	..	1†	Irregular	29	4.59	2.22	0.61	3.25	3
Warner Bros. Pictures	..	—	—	18	1.84	1.48	0.41	0.36	nil
Westinghouse Elec.	6.50	3.87½	Feb. 28	71	7.22	7.53	3.38	5.18	4

*Plus extras D Deficit E Est †Dividends are for the latest four quarters

New York Stocks

Saturday's Closing Quotations

New York, May 18.

Nervous and erratic conditions continued to be witnessed on Wall Street today, with quotations finally finishing about two points down. Trading was again very heavy, the market being mainly dominated by European war news.

Continued dumping of shares overboard was encountered early in the morning, but later a rally ensued under the leadership of war babies. The closing levels were above the early lows.

The turnover amounted to 1,660,000 shares.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Change
30 Indust.	123.87	120.67	122.43	—1.77
20 Rails	24.13	23.44	23.65	—1.16
15 Utilit.	19.66	19.01	19.20	—0.67
40 Bonds	—	—	84.84	—0.3.
11 Commod.	—	—	51.58	—2.37

	May 17	18		May 17	18
Adams Exp	5¾	5¾	Johns Man	52¾	52
Aleg Lud	19¼	18¾	Jones & L	53	50¼
Alld Stores	5¾	5¼	Kennecott	28⅜	28
Alls Chal	29	28¼	Lak F & M	3	3
Alum Ld	76¾	75¼	Libbey O F	37	35
Amer Can	97	*93	Lockheed	34	33¾
Am Cyan B	31½	29¾	Loew's	25	24
Am For Pr	1¾	1¾	Loft Inc	21	21
„ $7 pfd	15	14¾	Mack Trks	20	20¾
Am G & E	29	27	Martin	36½	37
Am Loco	12¾	12¾	McK & R	21½	20
Am Metal	15½	15	Monsanto	95	94½
Am Radtr	6	5¾	Mont Ward	39⅜	37⅞
Am R Mill	11	11	Nat City B	*23	*22¾
Am Smlt	38½	36½	Nat Avian	12¾	12¾
Am Sug R	15½	15	Nat Dairy	14½	13½
Am T & T	156½	152½	Nat Dist	20⅜	20
Am Tob B	78¾	77	Nat Gyp	6½	5⅞
Am Wtwrks	7⅞	6¾	Nat Lead	17½	16⅜
Anaconda	22¾	22¼	Nat P & L	6⅜	6⅜
Atchison	15½	14¾	Nat Steel	55	54
Auburn	1¾	1¾	Nat Supply	5⅞	5¼
Avian Cpn	5¾	6¼	N Y Cent	11½	10¼
Babcock	21	20	Nia Hud	4	4
Bald Loco	16	15¾	N A Avian	19⅜	20¼
Balt & Ohio	3½	3¼	N Am Co	17	16⅛
Barber	10¼	9⅞	N Pacific	5⅜	5
Barn Oil	8½	8¼	O I Glass	51	51½
Bell Air	22	21½	Pac G & E	28½	27½
Bend Avian	29½	30¼	Pac Light	39	38
Beth Steel	77	76⅜	Packard	2⅜	2¼
Biss	17½	16½	Pan Am Air	15⅜	14⅜
Boeing	20⅛	20¼	Paramount	5	4⅜
Borg War	16½	16	Penn R R	17½	16⅜
Brid Brass	10½	9½	Phelps D	30½	29
Briggs Mfg	16⅜	15½	P & R Coal	0¼	0¼
Bkn M Tr	18⅜	18	Phil Pet	32½	32½
„ $6 pfd	*105	*105	Pitts C & I	6	6
Budd Mfg	3⅜	3⅜	P S of N J	34½	33⅜
Can Pac	3¼	3¼	Pullman	19⅜	19⅜
Case J I	49½	49½	Pure Oil	8	7⅞
Celanese	25⅜	24	Radio	4⅞	4¾
Chase N B	*26½	*27½	Reading	11¼	11¼
Chesapeake	33	32⅜	Rem Arms	*4¾	*4¾
Chrysler	61½	62¾	Rep Avian	5½	5¼
Clim Mlyb	30½	28	Rep Steel	16¾	16¼
Colt's	80	79¼	Rev C & B	8¾	8¾
Col G & E	5	4¾	Rey Tob B	37¼	36¼
„ A pfd	*82	*80	Rich Oil	6⅜	5
Com Credit	34	32½	Safe Stores	36½	35
Com & Sth	1	0⅞	Schenley	9⅜	8¾
Cons Edis	26⅜	25	Sears Roeb	67⅜	65
Cons Oil	6½	6⅜	Shell U Oil	8⅜	9¼
Cont Can	36	36¼	Soc Vac	8⅞	8⅜
Cont Oil	20⅛	20	Sthrn Pac	8½	8
Copld Steel	18½	18⅜	Sthrn Rly	17½	16⅜
Corn Prod	51½	50	Sperry	38⅜	39
Curtis Wr	9½	9⅜	Spicer Mfg	26	26¼
„ A	25	25	Std Brands	5⅜	5⅜
Deere & C	17½	16⅜	Std G & E	1½	1⅜
Dist Cpn S	15½	14½	Std Oil of C	20	19⅜
Douglas	82⅜	84⅜	Std Oil N J	35½	34¾
Du Pont	161	159¼	Stone & W	6½	6⅜
E P Lead	7⅜	7⅜	Studebaker	7½	7⅜
Eaton Mfg	27½	28	Swift Int	23⅜	22
Elec A Lite	31½	29¼	Technicor	11	11
Elec B & S	4⅜	4⅜	Tex Cpn	39	37¼
„ $5 pfd	54	50	Tex Gulf	29⅜	28⅜
„ $6 pfd	61	55	Timken	21½	20⅞
Elec P & L	23	23½	Transamer	4⅞	4⅜
Fisk Rub	*11	*10	Tw Cent	6⅜	6
Flintkote	13½	12½	„ pfd	18	17
Gen Am Tr	41	39	Un C & C	68	68
Gen Elec	30½	29¾	Un Pacific	84	84
Gen Motor	42½	42½	Un Aircraft	45¼	48¼
Gen Rly	9⅞	10	Un A Line	15½	14½
Gen T & R	13	12½	Un B & P	12⅜	11¼
Glidden	13	12½	Un Corp	1⅞	1⅜
Goodrich	12⅜	11⅜	„ $3 pfd	31	31¼
„ $5 pfd	49	45¾	Un Gas	1½	1⅜
Goodyear	15½	15	Un Gas Imp	11½	11
Gt N I Ore	12½	12	U S Ind Al	17½	17
Gt N Rly	20	19¼	U S Rub	18⅜	18¼
Gt W Sug	23	22½	„ pfd	81	78
Greyhound	10⅜	10¼	U S Steel	50½	50
Her Pow	89	87	Vanadium	34½	33¼
Homestake	41	39½	Vultee Air	8⅜	8¼
Int Harv	47¼	46¼	Walworth	3⅜	3¼
Int Nickel	23	22⅜	War Br Pic	2¼	2⅛
Int P & P	13½	13	West Elec	89⅛	90
Int T & T	2⅛	2⅛	Woodward	23	22

BONDS

Amer. & For. Power	55	54
Baltimore & Ohio R.R.	19½	18¾
Brazil (U.S. of) 8% 1941	15⅛	14⅜
„ „ 6½% 1957	11½	10⅝
Cities Serv. Pwr. & Lt.	83	81¼
Erie 5s 1967	9⅞	9¼
Int. Tel. & Tel.	32	27½
New England Gas & Elec.	60	60
Republic of Colombia	21	20
„ „ (1928) 6s '61	21	20
Sthrn. Pacific Co.	39¼	36½
Stand. Gas & Elec.	60½	60

*—Bid.

Dow-Jones Summary

By Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Sales during the two hour session on the Stock Exchange today were well over the million mark, with the ticker lagging behind four minutes. The entire list continued to rule at the lowest levels in two years, and then recovered partially on rumours that the Administration has asked the aid of prominent New York banking interests in stemming the market break; also, there were indications that steel operations would jump to near 75 per cent. of capacity next week, being much higher than anticipated. Costly and relatively inactive shares suffered wide losses.

Stocks:—Continued entirely under the domination of war news, but, despite the lack of unfavourable reports, there were increasing signs of support. However, if German successes continue, a lower market is expected. The Times Index of business activity is placed at 94.7, against the revised figure of 93.6 for last week and 85.1 for the corresponding period of last year.

Statistics

Automobile Production

	Week Ended 17/5	10/5
(Ward's estimate)	99,030	98,480
	(units)	

Cotton:—There was liquidation of 40,000 bales by Bombay and Liverpool interests at the opening. Conditions were moderately steady later. Probably a good technical upturn will be seen on any favourable European developments.

Wheat:—After declining to the permissible limit on continued liquidation, the market staged a good recovery, partly on reports that Washington was considering a loan and to some extent the belief that the decline has been overdone. The market continues to be a nervous and sensitive affair, awaiting favourable war news for buying incentive. Crop reports were favourable.

Corn:—Followed the early decline of wheat, but developed strength at the lows and reacted sharply on a good cash demand. Country offerings were light.

Rubber:—Steadied after early weakness. Dealers again bought on indications of the stabilization of the Java Exchange and less talk of the scarcity of bottoms, which were market factors.

Hides:—Declined on wholesale liquidation. 35 minutes were required for the opening call. However, the market steadied moderately towards the close.

Cocoa:—Open interest is large, despite the recent heavy liquidation. A continued nervous market is indicated.

Sugar No. 4:—Early ruled easier on tail-end distressed liquidation, but later a steadier tone was noted on good trade covering, as refiners were rebuying recent sales of exports of refined from operators who were hedged.

London Money Market

London, May 18.

Overnight loans continued to be plentiful at cheap rates in the London money market during the past week.

Applications amounted to £116,-000,000 for the amount offered totalling £65,000,000.

The average rate of allotment was £1:0:4.86, which is similar to the last week's rate.

The market syndicate, however, received a slightly smaller quota of 47 per cent.—Reuter.

Italy's Efforts to Foster Trade

A Reorganized Ministry Centralizes Government Control of Exports

The need of intensifying international trade relations is keenly felt in Italy, and has led to the reorganization of the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Valuta which, in these difficult times, centralizes government control of Italian exports and assigns the valuta available for necessary imports.

The Ministry now consists of the following five divisions: 1, Customs; 2, valuta; 3, commercial treaties and agreements; 4, imports; 5, exports.

The new export division will not interfere with the activities of the National Foreign Trade Institute, which continues as heretofore its many services which have done so much for standardizing and grading exports, for rationalizing and improving methods of merchandising, and for keeping Italian producers in touch with foreign importers.

Cooperation

Nor does the Ministry intend to enlarge bureaucratic control of foreign trade. The purpose of the new General Directorate of Exports is to provide a service which will cooperate actively with private enterprise in developing trade not only with the countries with whom Italy has clearing agreements, but more especially with the free valuta markets of overseas countries.

The help the new directorate will give is nowise financial. Italy has no intention of subsidizing her exporters. Dumping is no part of her policy. She has no intention of impoverishing her own economy by underselling her products. Italian exporters want to secure a fair price for their goods; but they also want to extend their markets and not to place excessive reliance on traditional trade currents. In this work of commercial expansion—which of course implies that as exports increase, imports from new markets will likewise grow—Italian business men and merchants feel the need of improving their trade organization so as to avoid injurious competition among themselves while favouring group specialization to meet the several needs of the several markets. In this work they will be assisted by the new ministerial department which has three main services.

Assisting Exports

The first, set up for developing, regulating and controlling exports, will examine and promote the execution of all valuable proposals for starting new export enterprises, more especially those promoting trade with the free exchange markets or with new markets. It will also watch over the prices charged, the purpose being to see that the several producers do not engage in cut-throat competition, injurious to the interests of Italian manufacturers and traders.

The second service is placed in charge of matters connected with export quotas and the execution of the provisions contained in the several commercial treaties; it will encourage recourse to exchanges based on forms other than those of balanced trade as provided for under clearing agreements and sales on a free exchange basis. Italian producers desirous of arranging for imports to be offset by exports will be kept informed of the opportunities existing for such arrangements on foreign markets, and foreign importers will be notified of the export possibilities of the several branches of Italian production. The third division deals with exports subject to special ministerial permits, more especially those affecting the munition industries or the development of the self-sufficiency plans.

At the end of December a new trade agreement was signed with Lithuania which will facilitate the development of trade between the two countries.

Trade with Finland

Under present circumstances it is of interest to note the value of Italian trade with Finland in the first seven months of 1939. During that period imports from Finland amounted to 113,728,000 lire against 72,940,000 in the corresponding months of 1938, while exports to Finland were valued at 180,072,000 against 19,368,000 lire. The trade balance in the first seven months of 1939 thus closed in Italy's favour with an active surplus of 66,-344,000 lire against a deficit of 53,-572,000 the previous year. Italy imports from Finland cellulose and other raw materials for her paper mills, lumber, and some food-stuffs, and exports sulphur, citrus fruit, silk yarns, textiles, and marbles.

Under the provisions of the existing trade agreement with Greece, a trade delegation came to Rome in December to revise, in view of the changed conditions on world markets, the import and export quotas fixed for the two countries.

Coffee

Since September 1939 the importation and sale of coffee has ceased in Italy. The Ministry of Foreign Trade and Valuta now announces that in view of recent trade arrangements with coffee producing countries and the production of coffee in Ethiopia, imports will again be allowed, and as from February coffee will again be on sale. It will be the one food product subject to rationing in Italy.

U.S. Grain Prices Fixed

Washington, May 18.

The Secretary for Agriculture, Mr. H. A. Wallace, has asked all grain markets in the United States to prohibit, until further notice from trading in futures, below today's closing prices.

Mr. Wallace described the request as a "temporary protective measure." —Reuter.

No person in Canada may today export goods to neutral countries contiguous to Germany or territories under her control without having first obtained a permit issued by the Government. The countries covered by this restriction are: Belgium, Denmark, Hungary, Italy, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Roumania and Yugoslavia.

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Square Deal For British Shipping

In Many Instances Owners Not Paying Expenses; Fair Share of Profits Wanted

While the terms of hire which shipowners are to obtain from the Government for the use of their vessels are still under negotiation certain considerations should not be overlooked. The agreement under which shipping, both tramp and liner, is being requisitioned, is one between the shipowners and the Government through the Ministry of Shipping.

The British shipping industry is for the most part in experienced hands, and its owners are fully alive to their own interests. At the same time, it is disquieting that the existing arrangement is causing them some concern, not only in regard to the immediate effect on earnings but on the position of the industry after the war, states the "Financial Times."

Difficult Times

It is common knowledge that British shipping has passed through a difficult phase since the last war, and looked at one time very much like a distressed industry.

Official recognition of its precarious situation is instanced by the inauguration of the scrap-and-build scheme, the subsidy paid in 1935 and 1936 to tramp tonnage to prevent the entire collapse of this invaluable section of the trade and the proposed assistance to the tune of £20 millions not long before the outbreak of war.

Nation Depends on Service

On more grounds than one the mercantile marine deserves sympathetic treatment from the Government in the settlement relating to the wholesale charter of tonnage. In peace time shipping is left to fight its own battles; in war time it becomes a service on which the very existence of the nation depends. It is pertinent that the heaviest losses in this war so far have been borne by the mercantile marine, the most exposed line of defence.

Now that the railways have had their "square deal" settled on a businesslike basis a strong case can be made out for similar treatment of the shipping industry.

Shipowners have already found reason to complain of the disparity between freights allowed to British shipping and those of neutrals. Although their services are not strictly comparable the tendency is for the differences to become accentuated. Meanwhile, under the terms now in operation, in many instances owners are not paying their expenses, while profits are accruing to the Ministry and to neutrals.

Foreign Competition

Owing to the diversity of types of vessels, conditions and voyages the shipping industry does not present the same fund of information on which to base a claim in the sense in which the arguments for the railways were canvassed. Before the war British shipowners asked for little more than some form of protection from the uneconomic competition of foreign tramp shipping and coasters which undercut rates to a dangerous degree. In shipping circles the view is strongly held that a fair share of the profits now being made should go to the industry, which is running so many risks and has so far suffered the heaviest losses.

It is particularly desirable that the terms of any arrangement between the owners and the Ministry should cover not only costs, depreciation and interest on capital but, as Lord Essendon recently urged, some provision for replacement over and above the normal depreciation allowances. The position of shipping should be made part of post-war policy, both from the aspect of a vital national service and as a factor in the country's invisible exports. If the opportunity to establish shipping on a firm economic basis is neglected now the unhappy experience which followed the last war may be repeated.

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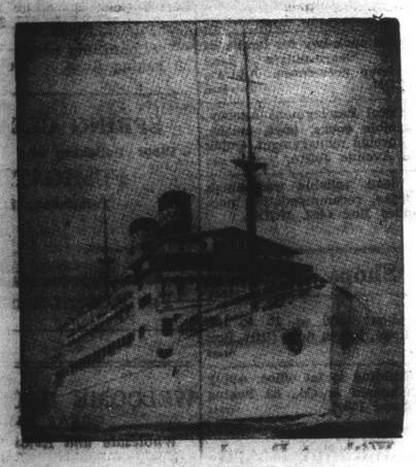

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ms. RUYS	May 27	June 6
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VESSELS ARRIVING TO-DAY

The following particulars in connection with vessels due to arrive to-day are based upon information available yesterday evening.

From DAIREN: Hoten Maru, with mail, due 3 p.m. Whangpoo Wharf.

From SOURABAYA: Tjinegara, Holt's Wharf, Pootung.

DUE AT FUTURE DATES

All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

On account of the present international situation there is considerable interference with movements of ships, especially those from Europe. In cases where it is definitely known that the vessel is not running to schedule the Shanghai arrival date is omitted.

EUROPE AND STRAITS

From GENOA			From SOURABAYA		
Conte Verde	10/5	6/6	Tjibadak	17/5	3/6
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From TRIESTE			Cortellazzo	12/5	22/5
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From ADEN			**From HONGKONG**		
Conte Verde	18/5	6/6	See "China Ports" below		

JAPAN

From KOBE			From NAGASAKI		
Taiyo Maru	23/5	25/5	Shanghai M.	20/5	21/5

AFRICA AND AUSTRALIA

From CAPETOWN			From SINGAPORE		
Ruys	17/4	25/5	Ruys	18/5	25/5

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From DAIREN			From HONGKONG		
Tsingtao Maru	22/5	24/5	Cortellazzo	18/5	22/5

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For CAPETOWN
Ruys 27/5
For JAVA
Tjinegara 23/5
Tjibadak 6/6
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Hoten Maru 21/5
Tsingtao Maru 25/5
Hoten Maru 28/5
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VESSELS DISCHARGING

IXION. From Vancouver arrived on May 17, and is discharging her cargo at Holt's Wharf, Pootung. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature. Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" are further requested to send their representative to the Wharf to verify the weight of such cargo whilst being landed. Damaged cargo will be examined in the presence of a Customs Officer on Friday, May 24, at 10 a.m. Claims must be presented within 15 days of vessel's arrival. No insurance effected. Butterfield & Swire, Agents. 20-5

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Karsten	T'lungkong	Chin Dah
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Taiko M. 18	Hsinkong	T.K.K.

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Manshu M.	Jap	D.K.K.
Nagasaki M	Jap	T.K.K.
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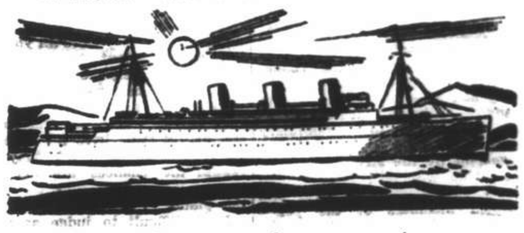

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French Peasants Fight Nazi Parachute Patrols

Nine Out of Ten Captured or Killed; Thousands Of German Youngsters Take 10-1 Chance

Paris, May 19.

FRENCH and Belgian peasants are fighting in the war against Germany along with their armies—but their job is back of the lines against German parachute troops, writes the United Press staff correspondent in Paris. Peasants take shotguns with them into the fields as they tend their crops or cattle. On a recent tour, the correspondent even saw women standing in the village streets watching air battles with pistols in their hands. He saw one plane burst into pieces in the air from a direct hit of a shell fired by a ground battery. A bit of the plane twisted and floated slowly down. By a stretch of the imagination, it looked at that height like a parachute. With shrieks of delight, the villagers ran across the fields toward the plane fragment, some even stopping to shoot, even though the object was still far out of range. It turned out to be part of the plane's wing. The German flier crashed with the rest of his plane. There must be an endless supply of volunteer parachutists in Germany, because, despite the fact that thousands have already been killed in the air or in landing, or have been tracked down and shot behind the lines, more are dropped every night. Few come down in daylight because the risk is enormous with thousands waiting below to shoot them as they float slowly down.

The vigilance of the Allies is, however, not unwarranted. It is now known the Germans are using this method to drop spies behind the Allied lines, whose duty it is to cover the territory as they can afoot, or, if possible, to steal an automobile or bicycle and return through the lines to report to the German General Staff the exact disposition of the Allies armies, the movements of columns, and the positions of field batteries, to enable the German General Staff to make last minute alterations of plans.

Reprehensible Tactics

The French contend that the method is reprehensible, as the parachute troops are not only dropped in Allied uniforms, but some are also dressed in priests' or nuns' clothing. Others are dropped in workers' clothes or peasant garb. It is obviously impossible for the armies to constantly check the papers of priests, peasants and labourers who move at will directly behind the lines, so the spies have comparatively little trouble moving about. Their greatest danger is over when they land safely.

Those who are put over at night have the advantage of obscurity. Big transport planes carrying as many as 50 parachutists fly over France and Belgium at a great height to escape detection, and then cut off their motors to glide down to 5,000 feet. The parachutists jump overboard, pulling their rip cords only at the last moment for a safe landing.

They dive with the parachute unopened for the greatest possible distance to shorten the time they might be helpless targets for an alert rifleman on the ground. As soon as they land, they hide their 'chutes and each man begins the examination of his designated sector.

Carefully Made Plans

The Germans have carried the refinement of parachute strategy to such a point that the spies, when dropped in civilian clothes, wear exactly the same type of clothing as the workers or peasants of the region where they intend to operate. For example, in the mining region they wear the black woolen undershirts which show through their open shirts, while, in the Flemish countryside, they wear red shirts, just as the peasants do.

I saw three captured parachutists who went to a prison camp instead of a firing squad only because they wore what would pass for a German Army uniform, although one had a complete suit of civilian clothes underneath. They were all young and the correspondent was told by a French intelligence officer that there were more than 25,000 such volunteers, chiefly ardent Nazi youths who have offered to make the supreme sacrifice of their lives for Chancellor Adolf Hitler. He said they must realize the chances are 10 to one against them when they leap out of the plane.

It is difficult to judge as yet the efficacy of this new military method. It would be impossible to estimate what proportion die and what portion get back to the German lines, but the correspondent doubts the value of any reports untrained youths, 19 to 20 years old, could make after one or two days wandering through unfamiliar forests and fields.

Not Very Practical

As a staff officer in the intelligence service of the Second United States Army Corps, in France during the World War, it was the Correspondent's duty to know the maps of the terrain and to be able to deduce enemy movements from spies' reports and from air photos. That was highly specialized training as an observer. Furthermore, he has just spent a week moving around behind the Allied lines with the credentials of the French General Headquarters, which enabled him to go openly to watch columns of reinforcements move into the battle area. Yet, despite specialized training and a week of observations, he could not put his finger on a weak point or a strong point in the Allied reserves or tanks or artillery.

He doubts if anyone, except the Commander-in-Chief, General Maurice Gamelin, and his supreme staff, who are keeping track of every movement on their own maps, know. He doubts the value of the report any 17-year-old boy could carry through the lines, especially in view of the fact that the boy would be blinded by his own enthusiasm for the German cause.

He told his opinion to French intelligence officers, who agreed that the German parachute tactics are more theatrical than practical and may be part of a campaign to break down the morale of civilians in the rear. But there is grave danger that sabotage experts might be dropped by parachute with explosives and other materials and destroy vital bridges, dikes, canals, locks and railroads, impending Allied communications.

Mostly Schoolboys

Thus far, however, most of the parachutists taken alive have been either German aviators forced to jump from a damaged plane, or school boys. Few have been regular army troops and they were landed chiefly in Holland, and Belgium at the outbreak of the war with orders to seize key centres and cities.

In certain cases, Allied intelligence officers who questioned young parachutists, learned that whole German schools volunteered for service and that the students went through four months of "ground school" training where they were taught the rudiments of map reading and efficient sabotage. Finally they were taken for air rides to accustom them to their future job and, after a final weeding out they were taught to jump. By the stimulation of youthful rivalry, they were taught to hold their ripcord until they were close to the ground.

The German parachutists call themselves "parachute patrols", but Allied soldiers describe them as "suicide candidates". Whenever possible, French intelligence officers claim, the Germans also enroll in the parachute patrols Nazi sympathizers from the Allied countries, who got across the lines before the war began.—United Press.

Lace Factory Strike Settled Peacefully

Increase in Wages, Special Allowance Granted Workers

Some 700 women workers of the China Lace Factory at 154 Canton Road returned to work yesterday morning after a short-lived strike which came into effect on Saturday afternoon.

Adjustment in the scale of wages and the granting of special high cost of living allowances by the management have brought the strike to an end, following negotiations carried out as a result of police intervention.

A ten per cent. increase in wages for those who turn in piece work worth less than $15 and a special allowance of $5 for workers whose piece work exceeds $15 in value were the concessions made to the strikers by the management.

Regulations governing the reduction of wages for indifferent workmanship and leave of absence remain unchanged, although demands for minor changes in the disciplinary measures have been presented to the management by the strikers.

The strike was settled peacefully. A party of Chinese detectives and uniformed members of the police force was on the premises during the greater part of the morning while the negotiation was going on. Shortly after 11 a.m. the strikers returned to their working booths. The erstwhile strikers comprise almost the entire body of the factory employees.

The strike was declared at the close of the morning shift on Saturday. A demonstration of non-violence was held in the street leading to the entrance to the factory. The prompt arrival of a police party resulted in the dispersal of the demonstrators.

The China Lace Factory is one of the larger firms of its kind in Shanghai, with extensive export connections abroad.

Fire at Ewo Press Packing Co. Godown

Flames Brought Under Control Within Hour

Engines from Sinza and Central fire stations were summoned to a godown belonging to the Ewo Press Packing Co., at No. 11, Lane 30, Kansu Road, at 5.27 p.m. yesterday, when it was discovered that several bales of cotton stored on the first floor of the building, had caught fire. Less than one hour later, the flames were under control and salvage crews prevented extensive water damage by covering cotton stored on the ground floor with waterproof canvass sheets.

Meanwhile, occupants of a refugee camp, situated north of the godown, took a gloomy view of the situation and poured water on the roofs of their matsheds as they feared that the fire might spread to their temporary homes through flying sparks

It was not believed that the damage caused by the fire is extensive, and detectives attached to West Hongkew police station are now investigating the causes of the blaze.

Fourth Marines Church

In commemoration of "International Goodwill" Sunday, and considering the world in its present crisis, that human interest which affects every individual and nation for that ultimate objective, "Peace", Commander H. Dumstrey, as the guest speaker at the services held at the Grand Theatre yesterday morning, chose as his sermon of the morning, "International Goodwill". This, in its entirety, was one of the finest programmes ever heard.

Bandmaster Master Technical Sergeant Levis E. Giffin conducting the Fourth U.S. Marines Band opened this service with the Prelude "Arise, My Soul, Arise," by Edson, and played for the Offertory, "Largo" by Handel. As a special tribute to Commander Dumstrey, a clarinet quartette number, "In The Beautiful Valley of Dreams" by Caldwell was heard.

Following the divine worship, the Regimental Band opened the regular weekly concert with Chenette's march, "Billboard's Bazaar." The Suite "Don Quixote" by Safranek and the Selection "Sweethearts" by Victor Herbert were presented in this musicale.

In the finale to this excellent programme of worship and music, the Marines' Hymn and the American National Anthem were played.

French Plants Work 24 Hours a Day

Paris, May 18.

All French industrial concerns having on hand orders from the Armaments Ministry must work without exception 24 hours a day to fulfil the orders, the Ministry announced today. The Official Gazette meanwhile published a decree incorporating as members of the Air Force all engineers in the French aeronautical industry and all assistant enginers in the State's aviation factories. The men therefore are subject to military discipline.—Havas.

Hungarian Appeals for Balkan Unity

Count Karolyi Urged Joint Front Against Nazis

London, May 18.

An appeal to all Balkan and Danubian nations to unite against the German threat of domination was made here today by Count Michael Karolyi, who was Prime Minister of Hungary at the time of the Armistice in 1918 and who had to leave his country in 1919 at the time of the Bolshevik revolution.

"In March, 1919," he asserted today in a formal manifesto, "I considered the conditions of peace to be unacceptable and I resigned.

"Today, however, in this hour of the greatest danger to all Danubian nations, all must unite against aggression."

French and British arms today are fighting a decisive battle for the future of all civilization, Count Karolyi asserted. He concluded:

"The place of all Hungarians who refuse to deliver their country in the future to Nazi Germany, is by the side of the Danubian and Balkan national which are prepared to resist aggression and thus defend the liberty and future of all Europeans."—Havas.

Adm. Yarnell Discusses U.S. Belligerency

Does Not Expect U.S. to Send Troops Abroad

Newport, R.I., May 19.

Rear-Admiral Harry E. Yarnell, addressing the graduation class of the Naval War College here yesterday, frankly discussed the possibility of the United States entering the European War and predicted sea power would prevent a world dictatorship.

Admiral Yarnell, who was retired from active service last September after serving his final assignment as Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. Asiatic Fleet, expressed the opinion that it would be unnecessary for the United States to send troops beyond this country's continental borders even in the event of becoming a belligerent in the European conflict.

He concluded with a warning against the defence services being "caught short in new methods or materials" essential to victory.—United Press.

French Seize Goebbel's Suez Shares

Paris, May 19.

The Civil Tribunal here yesterday sequestered 100 Suez Canal shares valued at 2,000,000 francs and belonging to the German Minister of Propaganda, Dr. Joseph Goebbels. Hitherto dividend coupons had been cashed by the Luxembourg Bank without disclosing the name of the owner. Dr. Goebbels collected his latest dividend last January—four months after France had declared war against Germany.—United Press.

S. Africa Justified In Entering War

Gen. Smuts Given Ovation At Pretoria; Nazis Trying To Dominate World

Pretoria, May 19.

A reception which General J. C. Smuts himself described as being "an experience I have never had before," was accorded the Prime Minister at a United Party rally here.

A crowd consisting of thousands of people from all parts of the Transvaal cheered General Smuts to the echo.

The Premier said that the logical progression of events proved that South Africa's decision to participate in the war was right.

"Who would dare to say today that Hitler and his Germany were not trying to dominate the world?" he asked. "Neutrality is dead in the world. In half a dozen countries it has proved a snare and a delusion," he added.

Referring to the present military situation in Europe, General Smuts said: "Knowing what happened in 1914, I expected the most severe setbacks at the beginning of war. The aggressor always has a great advantage at the beginning."

But, the General said, the initial advantage does not last long, so "do not be unduly depressed."

"We are preparing now to take our part in the fight. I had a pretty tough job organizing our defences, but we are making progress, and I do not doubt that in this struggle, South Africa will once more do her duty, win through, and maintain her honour untarnished," he concluded.—Reuter.

Japanese Said Holding The Balance

U.S. Attitude to Allies Restricted, Says Journal

Tokyo, May 19.

The adoption by Japan of a policy and attitude "more definite and decisive in nature," was urged in today's issue of the local vernacular "Hochi Shimbun."

The paper believed that the current European war is destined to develop into a world conflict. The "Hochi" pointed out, however, that the world situation today is different from that 25 years ago.

The United States, the paper stressed, is not in a position to go to the aid of the Allies unless she first ascertains Japan's attitude concerning the war.

In this sense, the paper added, Japan forms an important factor in deciding the fate of the European conflict. In view of the gravity of the situation, the "Hochi" urged, Japan should pursue a policy and attitude "more definite and decisive in nature."—Domei.

Newfoundland Troops Arrive in England

London, May 18.

The sixth contingent of volunteers from Newfoundland arrived at a west coast port today, it was officially announced.—Havas.

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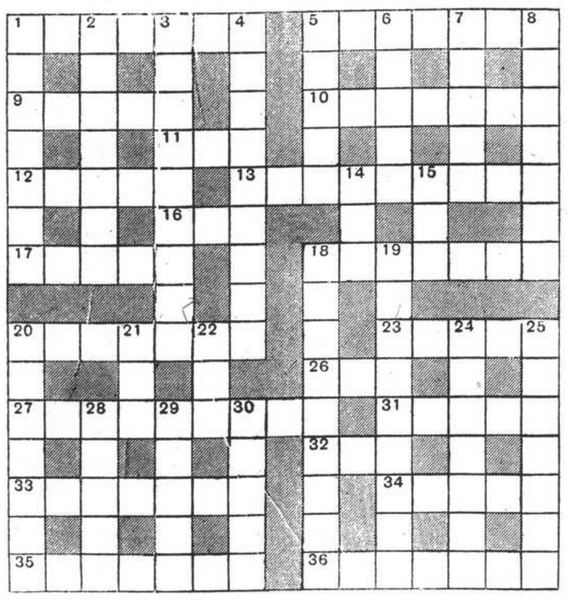

ACROSS

1 A judge can give more than this of course (7)
5 Drink from plant arranged outside (7)
9 Heat as in nonsense (5)
10 Many when this think more charitably, and banish this (7)
11 Part of your shoes (3)
12 It often facilitates the opening movement (5)
13 This provides practice for future (two words—5, 4)
16 Put a ring in it to make it resilient (3)
17 An entertaining lady, but has nothing to boast from end to beginning (5)
18 Request from one who is puzzled? (7)
20 An allowance made to some of the has-beens (two words—4, 3)
23 More than a plot in Scotland (5)
26 Quadruped (3)
27 Gin too, Doc, makes a fine pick-me-up (two words—4, 5)
31 Hardly a star on the stage (5)
32 The builder's man carries it (3)
33 Without remainder (7)
34 A conveyor of many wartime secrets no doubt (5)
35 A low-down place to put a fellow, this (7)
36 "Back to the front" is the motto of the warrior who would this (two words—3, 4)

DOWN

1 Put a mixed god in a joker for an animal (7)
2 He makes front doors look nice (7)
3 The boater who turns turtle may easily find himself this (three words—2, 3, 4)
4 He can take it! (and want more) (two words—6, 3)
5 Upset liquid (5)
6 Island of delay (5)
7 This plant has an upset air (5)
8 His talk is apt to be oyer one's head (two words—4, 3)
14 Not a strict description (3)
15 He is confused in 18 across (3)
18 Re 14 down herein (two words—4, 5)
19 Members of a select body (two words—6, 3)
20 He wrote popular romances (7)
21 One of those peculiarities (3)
22 This ruffles the calm (3)
24 The son of 8 down would have something to do to this him (7)
25 A sad business (7)
28 It may bring one to tears (5)
29 There are no scraps in this (5)
30 Out with no cash, apparently (two words—3, 2)

Y'DAY'S SOLUTION.—ACROSS: 1, Comedown; 5, Caused; 9 Saratoga; 10, Manage; 12, Obeisance; 14, Hobbs; 15, Dye; 16, Scales; 18, Turin; 21 Helen; 22, Snatch; 24, Sea; 27, Smelt; 28, Somewhere; 31, Chubby; 32, Indigent; 33, Leaves; 34, Rentfree. DOWN: 1, Custos; 2, Mercer; 3, Dates; 4, Wagon; 6, Apathetic; 7, Scabbard; 8, Dressing; 11, Beds; 13, Ada; 17, Constable; 19, Physical; 20, Alleluia; 22, Sash; 23, The; 25, Meteor; 26, Settle; 29, Mince; 30, Whist.

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